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WENDELL WILLKIE GIVES FULL SUPPORT TO LEASE OR LEND BILL: CALL TO THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA

MR. WENDELL WILLKIE, UNSUCCESSFUL REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, HAS NOW COME OUT AS A HUNDRED PER CENT. SUPPORTER OF THE LEASE OR LEND BILL.

In a broadcast on Thursday, he said, "I, who opposed Mr. Franklin Roosevelt, now call upon all Americans to give him such power as he now asks in a most severe climax.

"WE SHALL NOT BE ABLE TO PRESERVE OUR FREEDOM OF LIFE BY WITHDRAWING OURSELVES. It is only in the expansion of the world's markets and by crushing the dictatorships that America can go on in development."

The Secretary for War, MR. HENRY L. STIMSON, giving evidence before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, said that the essence of the President's plan was that the United States Government should be the sole purchaser and distributor of war materials.

He said he would object to any clause being put into the Bill which would prevent the transfer of ships of the U.S. Navy to Britain. He could foresee conditions under which a part of the Navy could be transferred without difficulty.

Mr. Willkie's intervention is regarded as particularly significant because his opinion deals with the one part of the Bill on which there is divergence of opinion.

A message from Sydney yesterday stated that it was learned that Mr. Willkie had signified his intention of visiting Australia in order to investigate the position of the country as he held that help to Britain also applied to Australia.

Mr. Stimson was asked whether any foreign nation could invade the shores of the United States.

He replied, "I think there is a great danger of invasion from the air if the British Navy is destroyed. Any attempt at infantry invasion would be accompanied by an air force."

Mr. Stimson was asked again whether there were any aeroplanes now built capable of crossing the

"JAPAN'S GRAVE HOUR"

LONDON, Jan. 17 (British Wireless)—In a leading article entitled, "Japan's Grave Hour," THE TIMES says that the purpose of the series of meetings which are being held by Prince Konoze, is undoubtedly to allay the widespread misgivings about the results at home and abroad of the Japanese policy of the last few years.

"Appalling casualty figures now becoming known in Tokyo must blazon to the eyes of even the most purblind in Japan, the cost of the attempt to conquer China which remains unconquered after nearly four years of war. Nor do they represent all the loss which the militaristic policy of the last six years has involved.

"The cost in money is mounting to such an extent as to cast a doubt upon the future solvency of the country.

LOSS OF LIBERTY

"Moreover, the policy of militarism involves in Japan as in everywhere else another loss—loss of liberty at home. The liberal traditions which the Japanese statesmen of the previous generation had carefully built up are going by the board and to loss of life and income is being added the loss of civil rights.

"The Japanese public cannot fail

to see that policy of the soldiers and sailors, is having just as bad an influence in external as in home affairs, for the relations with the United States, the greatest foreign issue for Japan, are rapidly deteriorating.

"The present policy of the Japanese Government seems to be leading the country to financial ruin and disension between militarists and politicians at home and abroad to the extension of a war, which already strains the national resources to almost an unbearable degree."

"The United States is being truculently bidden to refrain from helping Britain, while at the same time, Japan is doing what she can to help Germany. President Roosevelt, is of course, not in the least affected by the Japanese threats and the United States continues to assist both Britain and China."

HONGKONG PILOT MISSING

Pilot Officer W. E. (ANDY) PEERS, R.A.F. is reported missing from enemy action on the night of Jan. 15-16.

Information to this effect was received by cable last night from the Air Ministry.

At the outbreak of the war, P. O. Peers was on the staff of the Hongkong Electric. He is a well-known interport rugby player having represented Hongkong against Shanghai on many occasions.

Mrs. Peers, who is at present in the Colony, is indisposed.

Activities Of German Raiders In Pacific To Be Doubled

A message from Australia quotes a report which has been sent by the Shanghai correspondent of the New York Times that the Germans have decided to double the activities of German raiders in the Pacific as a reply to President Roosevelt's Lease or Lend Bill.

This correspondent added that Germany has asked Japan for the use of her naval and air bases for this purpose.

"The President of Turkey yesterday received the three British officers, Lt-General Sir Marshall Cornwall, Admiral Sir Howard Kelly and Air Chief Marshal Elmhurst, who are having conversations with the Turkish General Staff, states a London message.

Reports from the Turkish capital state that the Turks are remaining watchful of German intentions in Bulgaria.

TRAINS CANCELLED

The reports add that there is confirmation of German troop movements, by reason of the fact that trains on the Hungarian railway have been cancelled.

The official reason given is bad weather.

Reports of the movement of troops in the Balkans have come from other sources in Europe.

Dutch circles in London state that a great many German soldiers have been concentrated in the coastal district and are billeted in almost every house.

The general impression seems to be that the Germans are keeping threats of a Balkan and a British invasion at the same time but that it is evident that the German High Command is hesitating in view of the risk involved in either invasion.

Today's News Summary

GIVING EVIDENCE BEFORE THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE of the House of Representatives, the U.S. Secretary for War, Mr. Henry L. Stimson, said that it was imperative that production of war materials in the United States be carried on at top speed. One hundred per cent support for the Lease or Lend Bill has been voiced by Mr. Wendell Willkie.

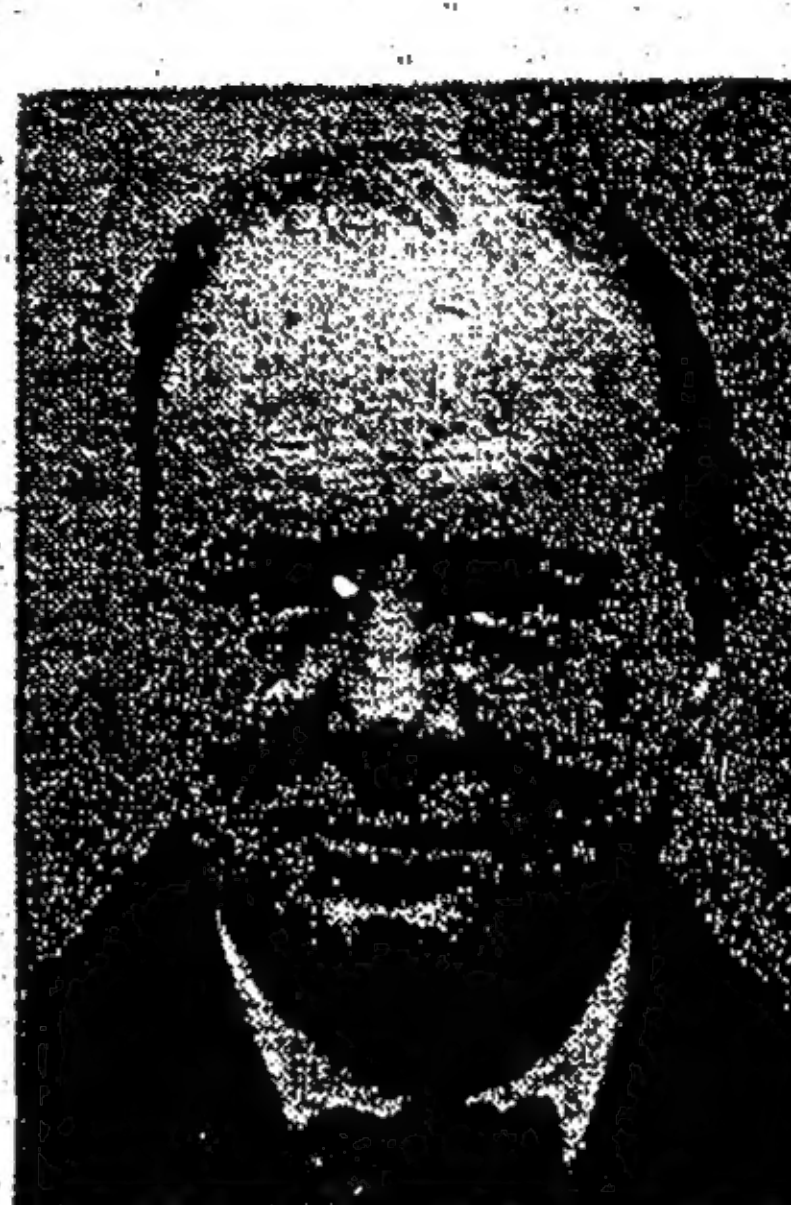
ANOTHER HIGHLY CONCENTRATED ATTACK ON THE GERMAN NAVAL base at WILHELMSHAVEN was made by Royal Air Force bombers on Thursday night when very heavy machines were used.

IN AN EDITORIAL ON "JAPAN'S GRAVE HOUR," THE TIMES says that the present policy of the Japanese Government seems to be leading the country to financial ruin. The United States is being truculently bidden to refrain from helping Britain while at the same time Japan is doing what she can to help Germany.

GERMANY IS REPORTED TO BE BRINGING PRESSURE TO BEAR on Marshal Petain to make a clean sweep of his Ministers and to reinstate M. Laval in power. A meeting of the Vichy Cabinet will be held today. The Germans say the Vichy Government has to be rejuvenated.

GERMANY MAY ASK JAPAN FOR THE USE OF HER NAVAL AND AIR bases in order to double the activities of Pacific raiders.

ANOTHER CONCENTRATED ATTACK ON WILHELMSHAVEN: RED GLOW IN SKY SEEN 30 MILES AWAY



During an inspection of the civil defences services yesterday, Mr. Winston Churchill said, "I have absolutely no doubt that we shall win a complete and decisive victory."

Very Heavy Machines Used By Royal Air Force

A red glow that could be seen in the sky 30 miles away was a result of another concentrated attack made by bombers of the Royal Air Force on the German naval base at WILHELMSHAVEN on Thursday night, states a London message.

Early reports show that the raid was highly successful.

It was the second night attack in succession and it was the heaviest that has ever been carried out by the R.A.F.

The R.A.F. used a number of very heavy machines and the first raiders had to sweep through intense A.A. fire. This was about 8 p.m.

Almost at once fires were seen to break out in the dockyards. The

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NAZIS WANT CHANGE

PETAIN MUST MAKE CLEAN SWEEP OF MINISTERS

The Germans are pressing MARSHAL PETAIN to make a clean sweep of his Ministers and to reinstate M. Laval in power, says a London message.

Neutral correspondents say that this has already happened and that Marshal Petain will shortly appoint his new Government. There is nothing to confirm this report, but it is said that a meeting of the Vichy Cabinet will be held today.

REJUVENATED

According to reports, the Germans say that the Government of Vichy must be resorted and rejuvenated.

The general view is that the new Government will be completely subservient to Germany as the Germans insist that external and internal affairs must be controlled by the same man who must work in collaboration with Germany.

Hitler May Redouble Efforts To Prevent Italy From Being Knocked Out

STEED ON VALUE OF R.A.F. NIGHT RAIDS: RESTORATION OF SELASSIE TO NATIVE LAND

"Herr Hitler may now redouble his efforts to prevent Italy from being knocked out of the war," said MR. H. WICKHAM STEED, the well-known commentator on world affairs, when he broadcast from London yesterday. "But what can he do? The difference between Italian-German co-operation as it was intended to be and what Italian-German co-operation is today is very considerable indeed.

Mr. Steed made a reference to the value of the night raids which the R.A.F. were making daily on Germany. These had resulted, he said, in impenetrable positions, held by the enemy, being attacked and had helped to

lessen the chances of Hitler succeeding in his raids on Britain.

"Our daylight raids serve the same objective. In fact, they can be more effective than night raids because targets are more clearly seen. Recently there was a big daylight sweep along the coast of France which shows that the British and Allied forces are strong enough to keep the enemy on the defensive now and we can afford to run risks which we could not run before.

Turning to the news from Africa, Mr. Steed referred to the speech made by General Smuts, the South African Premier, in which he said that the South African forces were assisting General Wavell's Army of the Nile by neutralising the strength of the Italians in East Africa.

"The South African forces are thus helping to restore Emperor Haile Selassie to his native land. He has been instructing his army and his chieftains near Khartoum and the South African and British armies have destroyed so much of Italy's munitions and smashed so many of her aerodromes that the position of this part of Signor Mussolini's new Roman empire is far from enviable."

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British Naval Power Dominating Even Narrowest Part Of Mediterranean

BOMBARDMENT OF TOBRUK OUTER DEFENCES INCREASED: FEVERISH ITALIAN ACTIVITY

The exploit of the submarine PANDORA is quoted as an instance of British naval power dominating even the narrowest part of the Mediterranean and it is quoted as an example of how the British Navy is preventing the Italians from sending supplies to their troops in Libya.

Reports from Libya itself state that the bombardment of the outer defences of TOBRUK has increased in intensity and that heavy British guns are continuously shelling the port.

The Italians have been feverishly strengthening their defences but even so Tobruk is not regarded as being as strong in defence as Bardia.

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The Italians are preparing to hold out as long as possible so as to allow Marshal Graziani time to organise his forces in the BENGHAZI area.

A report from MALTA says that enemy planes made several attacks on the island. Some of the planes were marked with a red cross and were accompanied by dive-bombers which took part in the raid. Several of them are reported to have been shot down.

THREE OFFICERS DEAD

The names of three officers who lost their lives in the aircraft-carrier ILLUSTRIOS during the naval and air action in the Mediterranean were announced in London yesterday morning, says a London message.

"The illustrious is now being repaired as quickly as possible at the port at which she arrived safely under her own power, after standing up to the heaviest gruel-

ling a ship has ever taken in the course of an attack from the air.

In London it is regretted as bad luck that H.M.S. SOUTHAMPTON had to be abandoned after she had been damaged in the same raid. Happily most of her crew were saved.

The Southampton is the biggest warship to be sunk in this war and there is comment in London on what is described as unprecedented dive attacks by German planes on British ships.

The general view, however, is that the Royal Navy, the Fleet Air Arm and the Royal Air Force can deal with these attacks.

DRASTIC RAID

Another drastic raid has been carried out by the R. A. F. on Catania, in Sicily. The attack was made on Thursday night. Heavy fires were started in the north-west and these burned fiercely. Explosions were also caused.

SAINTS-CYCLONES CLASH BEST GAME IN TOMORROW'S SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Cardinals Handicapped In Tilt With Panthers: Babida Reported To Be Indisposed

BY R.O.Y.

Although the usual six-game programme will be staged tomorrow at the Kowloon Football Club, there are but two matches in which the contestants are fairly evenly matched. The card commences with the Wildcats-Ramblerettes clash at 9 a.m., and even the latter's supporters are unlikely to concede the Recreio girls much chance of taking the honours. The Wildcats have been practising hard, since their surprise defeat at the hands of the Wahos earlier in the season, and should be much too powerful for their opponents.

Another track-meet will be the Wahos-Little Flower Club fixture which is next on the card. The Green Owls have improved beyond knowledge since Big Chief Therese Noronha rejoined the squad and it is most unlikely that the Florinhas will be within ten tallies of their score when the last put-out is made.

Best of the ladies' games will be the Baby Panthers-Cardinals tangle that commences at noon. Celeste Marques' Panthers appear to have slipped since the start of the present campaign but should still be too steady for "Colonel" Dave Walker's Redbirds who have done rather poorly since they upset the Wahos soon after the start of the season.

The latter will be further handicapped by the reported indisposition of their star, hurler Efigenia Babida, especially as Adi Zimmern has shown no sign of regaining her former pitching form.

MEN'S GAMES

The Men's senior loop opens, at 1.30 p.m., with the Chinese Baseballers taking the field against the Filipino Club.

Judging from the poor recent form of the Chinese outfit, the Filipino boys should be well in the hunt and an interesting battle should result with the odds slightly in favour of the Lumen.

St. Joseph's go into action against the Cyclones, at 2.45 p.m., in what should be the best game of the day. Although the Saints won convincingly at the first meeting, the Cyclones, who are considered to be a sound defensive squad, should give the hard-hitting Saints a much better fight.

This fracas will be quite a family affair as Manager Choppy Omar of the Saints will be pitting his wits against those of his brother "Sunburn" Omar.

The Hongkong Baseballers take on the Canadian Chinese in the curtain closer at 4 p.m., and although they should win without much difficulty, the Canucks should provide sufficient opposition to allow the Mohawks to display the full brilliance of their capabilities.

The Canucks will probably start Herbie Quon on the mound and if the wizard-of-the-whiff hits his top form, the Waggohermen are likely to run into quite a mess of trouble before they subdue the up-and-coming Canucks.

JUNIOR LOOP

In the junior loop, the Royal Air Force and Liga Portuguesa open the bill at Chatham Road, at 9 a.m. Both of these squads have been responsible for some surprising displays this season; the latter, having a creditable win.

ADVERTISEMENT

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

The January Race Meeting will be held at Areia Preta, Macao on Sunday, 19th January, 1941, commencing at 3.00 p.m.

The First-Bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

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SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

BOWLS.—Kowloon C.C. v. United Services R.C., 2.30 p.m.
CRICKET.—"A" Division: University v. Recreio; Craighower v. Indian R.C. "B" Division: Civil Service C.C. v. Police R.C.; Kowloon C.C. v. Craighower; Recreio v. University

FOOTBALL.—Junior Shield, First Round, Service Corps v. Middlesex (Boundary Street), 2.30 p.m.; Engineers v. Kowloon (Boundary Street), 2.30 p.m. First Division: Middlesex v. Kowloon (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.; Police v. Club (Boundary Street), 4 p.m.; Eastern v. South China (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m. Second Division: Navy v. Club (Caroline Hill), 2.30 p.m.; Ordnance v. 30th R.A. (Military), 2.30 p.m.; Third Division: Service Corps v. 36th R.A. (St. Joseph's), 4 p.m.; 35th R.A. v. Shell (Military), 4 p.m.; Engineers v. Air Force (Chatham Road), 2.30 p.m.; Signals v. 12th R.A. (Chatham Road), 4 p.m.

GOLF.—Royal Hongkong Golf Club, Bogey (Par) Pool, (Old Course, Fanling).

RUGBY.—Semi-Final Round of International Competition, England v. Ireland (Causeway Bay) 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

FOOTBALL.—Junior Shield, First Round, Royal Scots v. Chinese A.S.C. (Sookunpoo), 2.30 p.m.; First Division: Kwong Wah v. Navy (Boundary Street), 4 p.m.; Royal Scots v. Sing Tao (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.; Second Division: South China v. Police (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m.; Engineers v. Sing Tao (Sookunpoo), 2.30 p.m.; Third Division: Medicals v. A.S.A. (Boundary Street), 2.30 p.m.; 24th R.A. v. 20th R.A. (Caroline Hill), 2.30 p.m.; 7th R.A. v. International (Chatham Road), 4 p.m.
RACING.—Macao Jockey Club's January Race Meeting

MACAO RACES:

Fairy Auk Favoured To Win Main Event

SPECIAL \$ SWEEP FEATURE OF MEET

BY "LAST QUARTER"

There are six events down for decision at the January Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which will be held at the Areia Preta Racecourse tomorrow afternoon, commencing at 3 p.m. The first saddling bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

The Szechuen Handicap for "E" Class ponies of the Hongkong Jockey Club has been divided into three sections and will be the first three events on the programme. There is also a half mile sprint of "D" Class China ponies, while the main event, the Chung Hwa Handicap is confined to Macao subs and to be run over the mile course.

A Special \$1 Cash Sweep, limited to 50,000 tickets will be drawn on the main event and sales have been quite brisk to date.

THE SZECHUEN HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

In the opening event over six furlongs, I think the tussle for premier honours will be fought out between Ascot Vale and Lancashire Chap. The latter, ridden by a novice, was beaten by Ascot Vale at Fanling on Boxing Day, but should two experienced jockeys be up on these two nominations tomorrow it would be difficult to pick the ultimate winner, as these ponies are evenly matched.

Radium Star is the next contender worth watching, but as to the real outsider, I vote for Desert Star. This chestnut has been slowly regaining past form and definitely improving with each gallop.

THE SZECHUEN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Lucky Eleven is right on top of his form at the moment and I do not think any of the possible starters will be able to get the better of this chestnut. National Liberty comes next in ranking and with King's Envoy should fill the two minor positions.

Sunshine Suzie is looking quite fit and should not be neglected, while Gallant Marshal has been given to me as the one for "big money." This latter pony, however, in my estimation, is entirely

unreliable and had best be left alone.

THE SZECHUEN HANDICAP (THIRD SECTION)

We have an extremely poor class here and therefore all the possibilities of an upset. The Mermald should be prominent and will receive opposition from Cuban Love. Black Diamond is a likely place getter, while National Anthem may provide the surprise packet.

THE YUNNAN HANDICAP

There are only five entries in this half mile race for "D" Class China ponies. Talkative is a recognized sprinter and is my choice, particularly if Mr. Wei is the jockey.

The Leopard will also be near and should secure second place at least. Phoenix will surely find the distance too short and fail to get going quick enough. The Tigress is the remaining entrant but I do not think this grey capable of troubling the others.

CHUNG HWA HANDICAP

On the handicap weights, I like the chances of Fairy Auk (152 lbs) although I am inclined to think Coureu Bleu will make him go all out in order to win. Meadow Eve and Shanghai 4 are both dangerous, while Rothesay Bay is the one likely to cause an upset.

It is difficult to gauge these ponies accurately on past performances and punters should make it a point to look them over in the paddock before the race.

CONSOLATION STAKES

The unplaced starters in the three sections of the Szechuen Handicap are eligible to start in this final event and I think racing enthusiasts making the trip should have no difficulty in picking a good one to follow after seeing their performances earlier in the day. Off-hand, I would recommend Geordie as the most likely one.

"Y" HOCKEY TEAMS FOR TODAY

The following will play for the Y.M.C.A. in friendly hockey matches at King's Park this afternoon.

1st XI (4.15).—Benwell, Taylor and Yourell; Jordan, Cooombe and Waldron; Smith, Gemmell, Hitchcock, Morgan and Dunne.
2nd XI v. R.E.'s 2nd XI (3.00).—Cleggitt, Grant and Tomlinson; Smith, Gorman and Ballton; Macety, Dorrner, Spate, Gilchrist and Banks.

Eastern At Full Strength Today

BY "PILAT"

All roads, this afternoon should lead to Caroline Hill where EASTERN and SOUTH CHINA will meet in their vital First Division League match.

South China are making changes in their line-up. Lee Kwok-wai is returning to the defence while Lau Hing-chol will be in the pivotal berth. Eastern will be at full strength.

Following are some of the probable teams:—

SOUTH CHINA.—Tam Kwun-kon; Tsang Chung-wan, Lee Kwok-wai, Lau Chung-sang, Lau Hing-chol, Tse Kam-hung; Lee Tak-kee, Chow Man-chi, Chan Tak-fai, Lee Wai-tong and Lee Shek-yau.

EASTERN.—Lau Hin-hoh; Kong Sing-king, Y. S. Yen; Lau Chit-tan, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Ching Yung-sum, Cheung Kam-hoi, Y. K. Hyul, Tsao Chow-ting and Hau Ching-to.

KWONG WAH: Lee Kwok-kee; Chung Fai-am, Leung Pak-wai, Cheong Shui-fai, Chung Kim-fai, Yeung Tse-cheong, Cheuk Shek-kam, Tin Yung-fat, Chin Chi-fun, Lau Fook-chuen and Wong King-chung.

CLUB: J. Odell, S. Strange, J. Sloan, J. Skinner, Upton, H. Millington, F. Fowler, Davies, Relbert, Scott and Bickford.

MATCH CANCELLED

The cricket match between the H. K. C. C. 2nd XI and the Di-

CHARITY BILLIARDS

VOLUNTEERS BEAT R.A.M.C.

In a charity billiards match played last evening at the Soldiers' Club, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps beat Royal Army Medical Corps by four out of six games played, the points being 1188 to 909.

L/Cpl. A. P. Pereira was the most skillful player, beating Cpl. J. H. Harvey, Garrison champion, by 200 to 101. Pereira also scored the biggest breaks of the evening, 47, 52 and 48.

Notable breaks recorded by other players were: Sgt. Rakusen (V.C.) 32, 23; Sgt. Remedios (V.C.) 31, 23, 20; Pte. M. M. da Silva (V.C.) 32, 22; Pte. Hickman (V.C.) 22; Lt. W. V. Dixon (M.C.) 20; Sgt. E. W. Wyre (M.C.) 27, 22, 21; Pte. J. Whybro (M.C.) 38, 28, 28.

Prizes were distributed to the successful contestants by Col. N. Forde. All proceeds of the evening will go to the B.W.O.F.

Full scores are as follow:
Capt. F. P. Sequeira (V.C.) beat Lt. W. V. Dixon, 200-150; Sgt. Rakusen (V.C.) beat S/S. C. Terlost to Sgt. E. W. Wyre 195-200; ran 200-140; Sgt. Remedios (V.C.) Pte. M. M. da Silva (V.C.) beat Pte. A. Howe 200-118; Pte. Hickman (V.C.) lost to Pte. J. Whybro 192-200; L/Cpl. A. P. Pereira (V.C.) beat Cpl. J. H. Harvey 200-101.

cesan Boys' School, which was to have been played today, has been cancelled owing to the inability of the latter to raise a team.

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STRONG APPEAL TO JAPAN TO EFFECT UNDERSTANDING WITH THE DEMOCRACIES

Prominent British Papers & Far Eastern Situation

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — Far Eastern problems were the subject of leading articles in two influential British newspapers yesterday.

The Times discussed the situation of the Netherlands East Indies and Japan and the prominent provincial newspaper, Yorkshire Post, appeals to Japan to effect a rapprochement with the democracies.

The Times emphasised the strong pro-British sympathies of the Dutch Indies and recalls that immediately Holland was overrun Tokyo assumed that the Dutch Colonial empire would be ready to receive Japanese "assistance."

The special mission under Koyabishi found the Indies willing to negotiate on an economic basis only and it returned to Tokyo with every protestation that the Dutch Indies did not come within the scope of the "new order of Greater Asia."

Although this was doubtless the official Tokyo view, says the Times, it cannot altogether be without significance that the Japanese League for the emancipation of south-eastern Asiatic nations has just issued a flamboyant manifesto in which races in the East Indies, Malaya, Burma, the Philippines and even India are mentioned as among those to be liberated.

NO APPEAL

The Times adds that such emancipation is unlikely to appeal to any of these peoples. This form of charity begins at home—Japanese-occupied China for example.

The paper concludes that although Japan has so much in hand, the Netherlands authorities are not taking any risks and much wealth is being spent on defence measures.

"In the east as in the west, Great Britain and Holland stand together."

Under the title "Japan Thinks it Over," the "Yorkshire Post" discusses the effects of the Axis Pact on Japan. The chief result hitherto has been to bring Britain and America closer together in uncompromising resistance to Japan's aggressive designs. It recalls that Mr. Cordell Hull on Wednesday pointed out that the United States had tried to show Japan that her best interests would be friendly relations with the United States. "Even to the fire eaters of Tokyo, that should be obvious enough: it is equally true of Japan's relations with the British Empire."

JAPAN'S DEPENDENCE
The Yorkshire Post then points out Japan's dependence on America for engineering supplies and vital raw materials. It emphasises that Japan depends on Britain for 70 per cent. of the profits of her foreign trade.

"More than this: the friendship of America and Britain would invite her to collaborate in the new world order, not based like Hitler's on tyranny and fraud, but framed to ensure justice and security for all nations great and small."

The article concludes that there are signs that Japan has begun to think over the alternatives and declares that her chief need is for a statesman with courage to join Mr. Cordell Hull in telling her where her true interests lie before the "unhappy entanglement with the Axis becomes irrevocable."

EIRE FEELING WAR PINCH

SUPPLIES QUESTION DISCUSSED

DUBLIN, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — Eire's supply difficulties as the result of the war were discussed in the Dail yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Cosgrave, Opposition Leader, asked the Government to indicate what steps were contemplated for an equitable distribution of essential supplies in the event of an acute shortage developing. He referred to the recent restrictions on the use of petrol and spoke of the shortage of tea.

Sean Le Mass, Minister of Supplies, replying, said that the country was lucky that it had not felt the effects of war more seriously during the last 15 months. There were full supplies of sugar and also cement, of which there was an exportable surplus, and there was clothing of all sorts.

Referring to the sinking of ships bringing goods to Eire, Sean Le Mass said that the Government was endeavouring to purchase ships but that might not solve the problem. The loss of ships had made supplies of petrol uncertain. There was no cause for immediate anxiety as regards tea and there was no need for rationing.

POLISH AWARDS FOR R.A.F. OFFICERS

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — Three R.A.F. officers have been awarded the highest Polish award.

They are Squadron leaders R.G. Kellett, J.A. Kent and A.S. Ford, all of whom are leaders of Polish squadrons and were presented with their medals by General Sikorski, the Polish Commander-in-Chief.

All three already hold the D.F.C. while Kellett also holds the D.S.O.



Preparing for a bombing attack on Germany, these pilots were photographed working out their courses on maps at their base.

FRENCH CONSUL IS NAMED ENVOY FOR GEN. DE GAULLE IN THE PHILIPPINES

GASTON WILLOQUET, French Consul in Manila since February 1931, has been appointed by General Charles de Gaulle delegate of Free France in the Philippines, has accepted the appointment, but so far has not turned over the French consulate to his successor, reports the Manila Bulletin.

LOUIS LE ROCH, Consul in Shanghai, arrived in Manila recently to assume the duties of French Consul in the Philippines, but Mr. Willoquet stated that there are official matters to be straightened out before he turns over the office.

Mr. Willoquet when asked for comment on his position and his plans gave out a prepared statement, adding as he handed out the statement, "We must fight, everybody must fight."

STATEMENT OF POLICY

His statement of policy follows: "It is correct that General de Gaulle has bestowed upon me the great honour of representing 'Free France' in the Philippines."

"As my good friend, Major Vabre, told you a few days ago, we have waited during six months for some ray of hope, for some gesture from Vichy enabling us to continue our loyal support of the French government. It has all been in vain; they have chosen to co-operate with Hitler."

RIGHT AND JUSTICE

"We all know what that means. At that step, any hope for ultimate vindication of Right and Justice was forbidden us. There remained then but one thing for us to do: to recover our freedom of action to fight on and, with God's help, to win."

"The present world is divided into two groups already at war on several fronts. To the first group belong those who believe that liberty and dignity of man, freedom of speech, of thought, right to assemble, moral and spiritual values, are things well worth dying for; those who hold that the parliamentary system, imperfect though it may be, is still the best agency to promote the progress of mankind, to ensure the free exercise of principles as indispensable to man as air and bread. They believe also that recourse to violence should be banned from human affairs, but that a new organisation of the world should be brought about, based on international understanding, moral restraint and collective security."

FORCE AS SUPREME LAW

"In the other group are those who think that individuals are not apt to govern themselves, that to govern should be the privilege of an 'elite' circle, the supreme power being exercised by some superman. They hold that no right of the individual, or superior credo, or religion, not even God, can prevail against the primacy of the state and they are the state. In the international domain, they pretend that force must remain the supreme law—ultima ratio—that weak nations must disappear or surrender."

"Hitler, Laval and Company belong to this group; therefore, it is no wonder that they should come together so intimately, at least for the time being."

NATION OF PREY

"It is no wonder too that Germany, the eternal nation of prey, for whom war is a national industry, set on conquest of the world, could find—as Hitler expected—in every country, men of the same ideology, ready to help her to her goal, which, needless to say, means their own destruction, too."

"In France, especially, the overwhelming desire of the Vichy men to 'save the country' was not so much a spontaneous impulse of their patriotic consciousness as the execution of a long-worked-out plan to overthrow that Third Republic they began to hate."

NIGHT FIGHTER DOWNS RAIDERS SINGLE-HANDED

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — An R.A.F. night fighter pilot made war history on Wednesday night when single handed, he shot down and destroyed two German raiders.

He brought down the first victim after a running fight which began over London shortly after midnight. Riddled with bullets and with both engines out of action, the bomber crashed near an Essex town with a terrific explosion.

The second victim was intercepted over Essex four hours later. Damaged by a burst of fire, it turned for home but was re-engaged and was shot down.

SOVIET-JAPAN PACT AS FAR OFF AS EVER

MOSCOW, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — That the Soviet-Japan pact is hanging fire and an agreement appears as far off as ever is the general impression here.

With the arrival of the new Japanese Ambassador, Lt. Gen. Tatekawa, last October the conviction grew that a Soviet-Japanese Non-Aggression Pact would be signed very shortly.

M. Molotov and Mr. Matsuo, Japanese Foreign Minister, have both stated that there is no reason why relations between the two countries should not be on a normal footing and it was generally believed that the new Ambassador brought a scheme on which a measure of agreement had been reached. He has seen M. Molotov several times but apparently the agreement is as far off as ever. It is generally believed that the Japanese are prepared to make far-reaching concessions in return for Soviet recognition of "Manchukuo" and cessation of Soviet help to China.

It is rumoured that Japan would regard Inner Mongolia as a Soviet sphere of influence, accord special railway and clearance facilities at Dairen and might even come to an agreement over Southern Sakhalin but Japan would not give way on the question of fisheries, so vital to Japan. Russia never having gladly accepted the loss of the fishing rights which Japan gained after the Russo-Japanese war.

R.A.F. ATTACK SHIPPING IN BENGHAZI HARBOUR

CAIRO, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — Between 30 and 40 enemy aircraft were burnt out and several were damaged by the R.A.F.'s initial raid on Catania airport in Sicily on Sunday night. Italy's Libyan port of Benghazi was heavily raided both on Monday and Tuesday nights.

These disclosures were made by an R.A.F. communiqué issued here yesterday. Describing the Benghazi raids, the communiqué says that the main moles of the harbour were heavily bombed and large fires were caused among the buildings around the Customs house. A heavy explosion occurred at the base of the mole.

Other bombers hit buildings on the quayside and straddled Government buildings. Shipping was also attacked.

On the return journey, the aircraft machine-gunned Benina aerodrome. Two enemy aircraft were set afire and destroyed and damage was caused to a number of others.

FIGHTER PATROLS

"In the forward area (of the British advance into Libya), between Tobruk and Derna, our fighters maintained a constant patrol but no engagements with the enemy took place."

The communiqué records raids in Italian East Africa on the Asaba stores on Tuesday night and on Asmara the previous night, and reports that, from all opera-

tions all but one fighter, shot down in Libya, returned safely.

ROTTING PLANES

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — Eighty-seven planes lie rotting at the vast Italian aerodrome of El Adem in Libya, states the R.A.F. Ministry. Most of them were rendered unserviceable by R.A.F. attacks and were finally fired by the retreating Italians.

In one hangar alone were 22 burnt-out skeletons of planes.

The huge aerodrome, now desolate, had been made by the Italians a very comfortable base with up-to-date kitchens, shower-baths, billiard tables, tennis and badminton courts.

WIRELESS DESTROYED

The important wireless installation was destroyed but the large electric power station was not sabotaged.

In the huge joiners' shop were discovered ten canvas squares with R.A.F. identification circles. The machine shops were equipped on up-to-date lines. All around the aerodrome huge stocks of Italian provisions and petrol remained untouched, testifying to the speed of the enemy's flight.

Morgenthau In Favour Of Aid Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (Reuter)

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, declaring himself in favour of the Lease and Lend Bill, told a press conference that to the best of his knowledge Mr. Churchill's Government had no assets available for American purchases apart from the \$1,775,000,000 which he reported to Congress on Wednesday.

He explained that although the assets did not include the values from Canadian and other Empire investments in the United States, these additional resources were not available to London.

Declining to estimate the value of these assets, Mr. Morgenthau said that the British Empire is a family and has the same problems as a human family. Because some members of a family have assets, it does not mean necessarily that they belong to the rest of the family.

Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C., has been elected treasurer of Lincoln's Inn for 1941.

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AU TAU KILLING TOLD AT CRIMINAL SESSIONS

That it was the third accused who, on becoming tired of deceased's thriftlessness and requests for loans, had determined to kill the latter and had hired assassins to do the act, was alleged by Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, in outlining the Crown's case against three men arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday on charges of murder and accessory before the fact.

The accused were LAU FAT, CHEUNG KAI-SAU and CHEUNG SAU-FAT, alias Cheung Wai-yuen.

First accused is defended by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. H. L. Kwan; second by Mr. T. F. Lo, instructed by Mr. A. J. Ar-cull and the third by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. K. G. Blair (Foreman), W. R. Conolly, C. M. Woless, S. S. Ruston, Yau Si-lim, Pang Kek-sui and S. A. R. Remedios.

Mr. Murphy said that the deceased was Cheung Kau, widower living with his small son in Cheung Tau Po village, Au Tau, New Territories.

Mr. Murphy continued that at various times the deceased and second and third accused had succeeded to properties but deceased sold everything except his house. Deceased had borrowed money from third accused and in July or August they had a quarrel over this. In Nov. third accused complained that deceased was trying to get a land deed, which was held by him as trustee, for mortgaging.

CROWN ALLEGATION

The Crown alleged, went on Mr. Murphy, that third accused was the man primarily responsible for the death of deceased, that first accused took an active part and that the second was present when Cheung Kau was killed.

Coming to the night of the al-

leged murder, Mr. Murphy said that deceased returned to his house with his son shortly after midnight from a wedding feast. Some time after they had gone to bed the boy was awakened by cries of "save life" and found his father lying on the ground and four men in the room.

One of them was first accused and the boy saw him striking his father. Second accused was present. The body was later dragged out of the house. The cause of death was strangulation.

First and third accused were arrested on Nov. 24 and second accused went to Au Tau Police Station of his own accord.

RULED INADMISSIBLE

A statement made by first accused incriminating the third when he met third accused in a room at the police station, before they charged, was held by his Lordship to be inadmissible.

On the interpreter being called, Mr. Hin-shing Lo objected to the statement made by third accused, when charged, being read to Court, stating that accused had been threatened or induced to make the statement. After hearing evidence called by the defence, his Lordship ruled that the statement was admissible and it was read.

Hearing was adjourned to Tuesday morning.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

STOLE FROM POLICE H.Q.

Charged on three counts; namely, stealing one A.R.P. stirrup pump piping, Government property, from the basement of the Police Headquarters on Jan. 15; possession of a knife for an unlawful purpose on the same day; and stealing five mattresses, Government property, from the Police Headquarters on Jan. 8. So Kau, 28, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday, when he was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Det. Sgt. J. R. Sykes, prosecuting, said that defendant was seen coming down the slope of the Central Police Station by a Chinese detective at about midnight on Jan. 15. He was stopped and searched, with the result that the piping and the knife were found in his possession. He admitted the theft of the piping. On being further questioned, he admitted that he stole only five of the 12 mattresses reported missing on Jan. 8.

The piping is valued at \$18, and the mattresses at \$50.

MAINTENANCE SUMMONS

A summons for maintenance was brought by Yiu Sau-lan, 20, married woman, of No. 34, Elgin Street, first floor, against Sin Ying-wah, of No. 24, Tai Ping Shan Street, ground floor, before Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Sin was alleged to have neglected maintenance of complainant, his kit-fat wife, since Dec. 24 last.

Defendant stated in Court that this was the only month that he had failed to provide maintenance for her, which was due to the passing away of his father, but he was will to do so now.

Complainant demanded that the usual amount of \$25 per month be provided for, but defendant said that he was not financially strong enough now to comply to complainant's demand, because since his father's death, he had had to support his grandparents. However, he offered to pay \$18, which complainant rejected. Mr. Lowry set the sum at \$22, to which both parties subsequently agreed.

In compliance to complainant's wish, a separation was also granted.

AMERICAN FINED

William Peter Hunt, 39, company proprietor, of U.S.A., was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with a breach of Colonial Defence Regulations.

Hunt was alleged to have had in his possession on board s.s. Tjit-jalangka in the harbour on Jan. 18 three letters for the purpose of conveying same into the Colony, otherwise than by Post. He was on \$100 bail.

Prosecuting, Sgt. Jenner said that a police officer went on board the ship at 3.30 p.m. on Jan. 16, after it had arrived from Shanghai. He asked defendant if he had any letters in his possession, to which defendant replied in the affirmative. He produced the three letters, which he obtained from the Captain of the ship.

Defendant, pleading guilty, stated that he had intended handing them over to the police immediately on arrival.

A fine of \$50 was imposed.

HOUSE-BREAKER GAOLED

Charged with breaking and entering the second floor of No. 14, Wing Wah Street between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. on Dec. 3, and stealing 17 pieces of jewellery, \$1,785 in Hongkong banknotes and \$500 in Chinese banknotes, property of Wong Ping-kwan, manager of Wing On Tai Firm, Wong Hing, 35, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Banished for five years on May 7, 1940, defendant was additionally charged with breach of a deportation order.

Prosecuting, Det. Sgt. F. W. Fowle said that defendant broke into the house by making a hole in the roof and breaking the door open. The articles were stolen from a dressing table. Total value of the stolen goods was \$2,599. Defendant said that he sold the jewellery and spent all the money in Macao.

Sentence of six months' hard labour on each charge was imposed, both terms to be run consecutively.

Defendant had six previous convictions in the Colony, and was banished for life from Malaya.

Should any information regarding such notes come to the public they are invited to communicate with the Police.

AT KOWLOON

SOLDIER ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Private Frank Kenneth Jacobs, R.A.M.C., Whitfield Barracks, was charged before Mr. K.M.A. Barnett yesterday with having carnal knowledge of a girl, Man Mui-kwal, without her consent and indecent assault on Thursday.

Det. Sgt. N.B. Fraser asked for a remand of a week which was granted.

EXPELLED FROM COLONY

Convicted of unlawful possession of three tricycle tyres and inner tubes, valued at \$23, Chan Wing, 43, coolie, was ordered by Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday to sign a personal bond of \$10 and to be expelled from the Colony.

Sgt. Gordon said that defendant was seen carrying the articles at Oak Street by a Chinese constable. Questioned as to the source of the property, defendant said that he had received them from a man named Kai Fuk who could not be traced.

STOWAWAY IN COURT

A fine of \$30 was imposed by Mr. Himsforth yesterday on Wong Kong-kit, 23, for being stowaway.

Prosecuting, Sub-Inspector J. Johnson said that defendant was found in the storeroom of a Jardine Matheson steamer in a routine search about 2 p.m. on Thursday at Quarantine Anchorage off Stonecutters.

Defendant alleged that he was informed that even if he paid his regular fare he could not go to Calcutta and a seaman by the name of Lai promised to bring him to the destination provided that he gave the seaman \$200 on arrival.

Defendant's family was said to be in Calcutta.

THREAT ALLEGED

Alleged to have threatened Wong Kwai, 57, master of the Ying Fat Loong, No. 25, Connaught Road West, with intent to cause him to pay the sum of \$3,000, Pun Man-cheuk, 27, and Cheng Shu, 44, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for complainant, while the defendants were represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada. Det. Sgt. J. Bentley was present for the Police.

It was stated that as complainant was coming out of his house on Dec. 6, he was accosted by the defendants. First defendant asked him about the \$3,000 alleged to have owed them in connection with a wolfgram ore deal some time ago.

Defendants were remanded for a week.

Pleading guilty to a charge of keeping a gaming house at No. 117, Woosung Street before Mr. Barnett yesterday, Lee Sam, 33, woman, was fined \$25.

Wong Kam, 42, widow, similarly charged, was discharged owing to insufficient evidence.

SYKES SENT TO PRISON FOR TWO MONTHS

"I have no hesitation in convicting defendant on the charge", said Mr. G. T. Lowry, at the Central Magistracy yesterday at the conclusion of the case in which ELIAS DAVID SYKES, described as a broker, was charged with obtaining money by means of a forged document from Mr. P. A. Krishna in the office of the Orient Co., Karamally Building, on Dec. 5, 1940. Sykes was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

The case for the prosecution, conducted by Det. Sub-Inspr. J. O'Donovan, was that Sykes obtained \$30 from the complainant by virtue of a letter containing certain words purporting to have been written by Mr. M. G. Gill, naval store officer, asking for the payment of \$30 for contract forms which defendant knew to be false.

At yesterday's hearing evidence was given by Sgt. D. Glazebrook, of the C. I. D. (Special Branch), who was called by accused as a witness for the defence.

Replying to defendant, witness admitted that he was in a lift with Sykes and two European sergeants when they told accused that he was under arrest.

PRINCIPAL TENANT CALLED

Au See, washer-woman and principal tenant of No. 17, Pakhoi Street, second floor, another witness called for the defence, stated that she was accused's principal tenant.

His Worship (to witness): You collect rent from him?—Yes.

Did defendant ever show you a paper?—No.

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CORPS OF FIRE WATCHERS IS PLANNED

Plans for the organisation of a corps of fire-watchers and fire-fighters, about 3,000 strong, are being studied by the Air Raid Precautions Department, the Director of A.R.P., Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, revealed at his weekly Press conference yesterday.

Should it be decided to institute such a corps, he was quite confident, the Director of A.R.P. said, of a splendid response from the local public.

TUNNEL WARDENS

It is planned also to organise a body of some 400 tunnel wardens. Men or women who would like to volunteer for these jobs are requested to send their names and addresses to the A.R.P. Department. When mobilised, they will be paid not less than at the ordinary rates of pay to wardens.

There are now available for sale to the general public many more Anderson shelters and individuals should apply to the A.R.P. Department. The cost of the shelter is \$145 and the purchaser will also have to pay the cost of transport from Kowloon to his residence.

Another body now being organised to aid in A.R.P. work is a corps of auxiliary messengers to be known as the A.R.P. Auxiliary Despatch Corps. Boy Scouts will play a large part in the work of the corps.

STERLING SECURITIES

It is notified for general information that bearer securities, the principal, interest or dividends of which are payable, or optionally payable, in sterling can no longer be imported into the United Kingdom except under permission granted by or on behalf of His Majesty's Treasury in the United Kingdom.

In the case of BRITISH SUBJECTS resident in Hongkong who desire to obtain such permission in respect of securities owned by them application should be made to the Assistant Financial Secretary (Exchange), Colonial Secretary's Office.

In the case of OTHER RESIDENTS of Hongkong import licences must be applied for in the United Kingdom by the consignee or his agent to the Bank of England (Securities Control Office), before the securities leave the Colony.

Sterling bearer securities reaching the United Kingdom without the appropriate authorisation are liable to seizure and forfeiture.

COMING & GOING BY CLIPPER

Pan American Airways (CHINA CLIPPER (Capt. Chase) bringing U.S. mails, dated San Francisco, Jan. 9, arrived in Hongkong yesterday afternoon with the following passengers:

MR. OSCAR E. BERTIN, ship's captain, travelling on business;

MESSRS. CHARLES H. UNEE-HAUN and ALEXANDER E. HUGHES, connected with Philipines Hume Pipe Co., on business;

MR. ROBERT DE LA SALA, British businessman, returning to Hongkong after a short trip to the Philippines, accompanied by his wife CAMILA DE LA SALA;

MR. LUCIO R. ILDEPONSO, mercantile assistant, returning to Hongkong after a business visit to the Philippines.

DEPARTURES

The CHINA CLIPPER was scheduled to leave this morning on her return flight to San Francisco, via Manila, with the following passengers:

For WAKE ISLAND:—MR. RALPH YUNG, P.A.A. employee.

For MANILA:—MR. GIBSON FAHNESTOCK, business magnate, and Mr. Lee Hok-wa.

NEXT CLIPPER

The HONOLULU CLIPPER, bringing U.S. mails dated San Francisco, Jan. 15, is expected to arrive in Hongkong on Wednesday next, Jan. 22, and will leave the following morning.

AGRICULTURAL LOTS SOLD

Mr. Chow Kwan-sat paid \$405 for each of the two lots—one, a building lot with an area of 3,000 square feet, and the other, an agricultural one with an acreage of 1.08 acres—at Sham Tseng at the Crown Land sale held yesterday at the District Office, South.

In the same sale, Mr. Chan Yau-tai bought an agricultural lot, 1.61 acres, at Shataukok, for \$720. The upset price was \$175.

The other eight lots—one building and seven agricultural—were sold at their upset prices, ranging from \$14 to \$218.

FORGED CURRENCY NOTES

The Colonial Secretariat announces that forged Malaya \$1 currency notes bearing various serial numbers between B/36 and B/42 and forged Malaya \$5 currency notes bearing various serial numbers between A/33 and A/37 have appeared on certain markets.

No notes bearing such serial numbers have in fact been issued by the Malayan Board of Commissioners of Currency.

Praise From Bench

The conduct of Pang Kwong and a ticket inspector of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company in pursuing an armed man in Kowloon on Dec. 13, was highly praised by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

His Lordship was referring to the trial on Thursday in which a running gun duel between an armed Chinese and P. C. D288, Chung Shu-cho was described.

Cheung Wan, 21, was sentenced to seven years' hard labour for shooting at P. C. D288 and Pang Kwong with intent to cause them grievous bodily harm, or to resist arrest.

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POLICE REPORTS

Mr. E. Smith, of No. 8, Hillwood Road, reports that between 3.30 and 4.05 p.m. on Jan. 16 somebody stole linen to the value of \$30 from the clothes-line.

The theft of two keys and \$250 in cash from a safe in his house at No. 49, Aberdeen Street between 9.30 p.m. on Jan. 15 and the early hours of Jan. 16 has been reported to the police by Mr. Liu Man.

Lai Wing-ching, of No. 19, on Lan Street, reports that at 2 p.m. on Jan. 16, while he was walking along Gage Street, an unknown Chinese took \$110 in banknotes from his pocket and escaped.

Kwong Kan, of No. 278, Des Voeux Road Central, reports that somebody stole from his house money, a suitcase and clothing to the total value of \$23.

Li Yip, master of junk No. T3871H, has reported to the police that while he was sailing near Sze Tsi Chau at 6 p.m. on Jan. 10, three Japanese from a motor boat boarded his junk. After dumping the cannons into the sea and taking away his licence, they took his junk in tow to Lin Tin Island, where they removed \$4,800 worth of cargo before they set him free.

One soldier was killed and 35 injured, a number seriously, when part of a gymnasium in a Northern Ireland military barracks gave way, burying the men.

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COLONY'S RECORD
BUDGET

FACED with the problem of finding ways and means to meet a deficit of over seven-and-a-half million dollars in the Colony's budget for 1941-42, the Hongkong Government has turned to increased taxation in order to augment its assets for the coming year. The new duties which came into force on Thursday cannot be said to have come as a surprise to the public. Despite the fact that the community as a whole has been cheerfully labouring under additional taxation since the emergency created by the outbreak of war in Europe, the public has not been slow to face the sterner facts of increased expenditure and the necessity which has arisen to increase the Colony's income so that it can contribute to the mother country's war effort proportionately to what is being done in other parts of the Empire. One comforting feature of the new duties is that they will not fall too heavily on the poorer working classes. In fact, they may all be said to apply to luxuries, though there is no doubt that the increase in the tax on gasoline must adversely affect the motor hiring business in the Colony and cause a reduction in the number of people who use motor conveyances for business or pleasure.

IT IS WHEN one examines the items of increased expenditure which have led to the Colony entering on its new financial year with a huge deficit, that criticism becomes necessary. Excess spending was reported under a number of heads in which charitable disbursements topped the list with over \$700,000 for refugee relief. The explanation is the well-known one of blaming the situation in China for the surplus population that has been thrust on the Colony's hospitality. The situation in China can now be said to have turned favourably in that country's favour and when hostilities broke out between Germany and Britain, knowledge that a greater emergency had arisen, in which the Colony would have to share, should have made the Government realise the need for taking suitable steps to relieve the country of this unwanted burden of expenditure. The half-hearted measures that have been brought in with a view to reducing this population have not met with any marked success and the refugee question still remains unsolved. It is in time of a real emergency arising here that the nuisance aspect of this surplus population will become a definite problem, apart from its continued drain on the Colony's finances.

DEFENCE EXPENDITURE shows another big excess as far as it relates to the Volunteer Forces and the precautions being taken for the protection of the civilian population against enemy action. There can be no real complaint against this. Hongkong, in keeping with other

EXCELLENT
ACTING
AT FRENCH
CONVENT

The main hall of the St. Paul's Institute (French Convent School) was packed to capacity last evening when the girls of the School presented, for the third time, the play "Faith and Love."

In a programme consisting of seven items, exclusive of the play, the burlesque accompanying the singing of the folk-song "Old Folks at Home" kept the house convulsed with laughter. Members of Class 8 entertained with two songs; whilst Cecilia Passos well merited the applause which greeted her two piano solos.

FINE PORTRAYALS

Considering the ages of the girls taking part in the play—students from Class 8 up to Class 3—it can truly be said that the portrayal of the various characters (from Empress Augusta to the Roman children) were excellent.

Special mention must, however, be made of Sophie Harcourt whose "Marlana," the heroine, was most pronounced.

Other outstanding players were Marie King, Mabel Swain and Collette Yoll.

Those taking part in the final Tableau—depicting the Angel-trough, after the death of Marlana and Marcus—are also to be congratulated.

Important parts of the British Commonwealth, has been called upon to strengthen its defence preparations to meet an attack and the response from the public to co-operate in defence measures has, indeed, been most encouraging. There has been considerable speculation, however, on the high scale of emoluments being paid to those who have been recruited into the gold-braided ranks of the naval volunteers and it is generally felt that their scale of pay is out of all keeping not only with their duties, but with their ability, when compared with the same ranks of the regular naval units. Considering the fact that these men have been appointed to the senior ranks with very little experience in naval duties, in contrast to the long period of training which the Royal Navy provides for similar ranks, a considerable saving can be obtained by reducing the scale of pay here until standard efficiency is reached. The meagre scale of pay given to members of the Volunteer force, who are mobilised for duty, shows up this discrepancy to an even greater extent.

THE ESTIMATED REVENUE for the coming financial year is expected to yield an excess over \$16,000,000 from war taxation, but the estimate from at least one of the sources of revenue from which this surplus is anticipated—Income Tax—is, as the Financial Secretary admitted, rather on the optimistic side. Nevertheless, the budget figures do not give cause for any unnecessary despondency. The sacrifices which the population will have to make will undoubtedly be heavier as the year runs its course, but when the items now presented for approval have been suitably pruned down by the Select Committee which is to consider it, there is every likelihood that the Colony will be able to tide over its present financial difficulty and meet the future in the full performance of its duty as an integral part of the British Empire. The public is more than willing to make sacrifices, but they have the right to expect the Government of the Colony to set them an example in this respect.



Robin Duff (in war correspondent's uniform), BBC Observer, interviews Air Raid Wardens just after a bomb had fallen on a residential district in London.

600 THOUSAND IN DIRE
NEED IN KIANGSU

The China International Famine Relief Commission and other charity organisations in Shanghai are making strenuous efforts for the relief of about 600,000 people in Kiangsu and Chekiang reduced to destitution by war and the serious drought last year, according to a Shanghai report.

The pitiable plight of the destitutes is worsened by the severe cold snap now gripping those areas.

The inhabitants of Iking, on the west bank of the Taihu Lake in south Kiangsu, are the hardest hit. Upwards of 297,000 of them are in dire need of urgent relief, and altogether 176,000 mow of farmland there has been rendered unproductive by the disastrous drought. The seriousness of the famine in this town, a rice and pottery producing center in normal time, is considered as unprecedented in its history.

URGENT RELIEF

The Iking Natives Association in Shanghai has raised some \$40,000 for urgent relief in their home town. In addition, the National Government in Chungking has appropriated \$20,000 relief funds while the China International Famine Relief Commission has collected \$5,000.

Next to Iking, Sungkiang, on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway 22 miles southwest of Shanghai, also suffers seriously. Relief work there is undertaken by a joint relief association formed by the Protestant and Catholic missionaries in Shanghai, who distribute rice to the destitutes four times every month. The China International Famine Relief Commission also gives financial assistance.

As a result of intermittent hostilities, rice price in Shaohing, well-known wine-producing town northeast of Ningpo in north Chekiang, has risen to over \$130 per picul. No less than 200 people there die of starvation or of cold every day.

Under the International Relief Committee four centres have been established in the town for distributing porridge to more than 5,000 destitutes every day. The China International Famine Relief Commission has allocated \$10,000 for their relief. (Central News)

PHARMACY
CLASS.

An evening class for those registered apprentices, who desire to take the Part 2, or Final, examination for the Chemist or Druggist diploma, will commence on Feb. 3. The class, which will extend over three years and the fees for which are \$200 per annum, will be confined to those who have passed either Part 1 of the examination or have been exempted.

Full particulars and details of enrolment are obtainable on application to the Registrar (Pharmacy), No. 18, Johnston Road Wanchai.

CO-OPERATIVES IN
SOUTH KWANGSI

The Kwangsi War Zone Co-operatives Service Corps has extended its work to Nanning, Shuangze and Lungchow in south Kwangsi.

More than 100 mutual aid co-operatives have been established in Nanning alone. Similar co-operatives are being formed in other districts. (Central)

HEALTH RETURNS

The following is the return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Jan. 18: Enteric Fever, four cases; Measles, four cases; Chicken Pox, one case; Dysentery, 10 cases; Puerperal Fever, one case; Tuberculosis, 39 cases.

SEPTEMBER
ROBBERY
RECALLED

After a retirement of 15 minutes, a unanimous verdict of Not Guilty, and a 5-2 verdict of Guilty, respectively, were returned by the jury when Chan Kai, alias Chan Yue, and Pun Yung were arraigned before Mr. Justice Williams, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, on a charge of robbery by two or more at No. 43, Prince Edward Road, on Sept. 7.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Insp. A. E. Carey, prosecuted. The jury empanelled comprised Messrs. S. Berg, (Foreman), A. A. Barros, J. M. Hood, Chan Sau lok, Yue Chun-chang, C. A. d'Assumpcao, and P. A. Waller.

Both defendants pleaded that they knew nothing of the robbery and neither were definitely identified by any of the victims at the identification parade.

Pun Yung was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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Mr. E. M. Raymond, Assistant Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following donations:—His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut-General E. F. Norton, C.B., D.S.O., M.C. \$100; Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. \$50; Chak Tai Kwong, Esq. \$250; British American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd. \$200; Chinese Relief Association \$200; Chinese Medical Relief Association \$100; Dodwell and Co. \$100; Colonial Dispensary, per collecting tin \$3.81; Watson & Co. per collecting tin \$1.98; E. D. Sasson Bank Ltd. \$50; The Sun Co. \$50; T. C. Monaghan, Esq. \$50; South China Morning Post \$50; Hongkong Stock Exchange \$25; A. Sanford, Esq. \$25; Kwong Wah Ken Chuen \$20; Dai Tung Book Co. \$20; Miss P. Harper (proceeds money box) \$8.4; Fung Wing Koi, Esq. \$5; Anonymous 1.

CHINESE MOHAMMEDAN
MISSION RETURNS

The Chinese Mohammedan Goodwill Mission to the South Seas has returned to Hongkong after over a year's tour there.

The Mission composed of three noted Chinese Mohammedans Messrs. Ma Tien-ying, Wa Chien-hsun and Ma Teh was sent by the Chinese Mohammedans' National Salvation Association to foster closer friendly relations with the peoples in the South Seas and to propagate the significance of China's war of resistance.

Members of the Mission left Hongkong for Singapore on Dec. 4, 1939. From Singapore they proceeded to Malacca, Penang, Selangor, Perak, Johore and other parts of British Malaya, visiting altogether 93 towns there. Wherever they went, they were warmly welcomed by the overseas Chinese and Malays.

On Aug. 15, 1940, they returned to Singapore, and sailed for Borneo on Oct. 6, arriving at Kuching on Oct. 7. They visited 47 towns in British Borneo and left Sandakan on Jan. 7 this year to return to Hongkong.

MEDICAL AID

While in Singapore, they organised a Sino-Malayan Cultural Association with branches at Ipoh and Penang. At their instance a Mohammedan Committee for Medical Aid to China was also

THE ROYAL NAVY:

FUNCTIONS HAVE NEVER
ALTERED IN OUR LONG
HISTORY—"TAFFRAIL"

"In the whole of our long history, the function of the Royal Navy has never altered. In war it still remains part of the duty of our fleet to destroy mobilised forces of the enemy and to ensure the protection of our sea-borne trade," said CAPT. H. T. ("TAFFRAIL") DORLING, D.S.O., R.N. (Retd.) when he broadcast in the series "On Sea and Land" from London on Thursday.

"We can thus ensure the free movement by sea to any part of the world of our military and air forces," he said, "and while our armies on the shore may be likened to the sharp point of a sword, our fleet represents the strength of that weapon."

LONG SPELLS OF DUTY

"When anybody speaks of the U-Boat campaign, I immediately visualise our convoys of merchantmen. I know the officers and men who serve in these ships and I know the men of the escorts who protect these convoys in all weathers. They have long spells at sea and a very short rest in harbour. They spend as many as 25 days of the month at sea. One destroyer I know of did 30 days at sea and had only a 36-hour rest in harbour."

"And still the Royal Navy carries on and so does the merchant navy. We cannot continue to work without them. While British merchantmen continue to supply us with the imports we need and to carry away the exports to pay for them, neither German nor Italian merchant ships are at sea."

"Taffrail" then referred to the operations in the Mediterranean region. He emphasised how British control at Gibraltar had been able to prevent supplies reaching the Italians in Libya and how, as a result of this British sea-power, Abyssinia, Eritrea and Somaliland would have to be left to their fate.

BRITISH STRENGTH

"Signor Mussolini can say what he wants about the British with drawal from Somaliland," said the speaker, "but the idea was that the British strength in that region should not be dissipated, but concentrated upon the war in the Mediterranean."

"If not for British sea-power, Signor Mussolini need not have attacked the Greeks through Albania at all. He might have landed his forces directly on Greek soil and led them right into Salonika."

"Nevertheless, the end of these operations which we have carried out so successfully so far, is not yet in sight and it is unwise to predict what the future may hold for us. But it is more than likely now that the Italians will lose the whole of Eritrea. The dreams of a new Italian empire have vanished. Germany may be master of Europe, but she too is cut off from the oceanic trade with the outside world."

BRITAIN AND U. S.

"And what of ourselves? In spite of our heavy shipping losses, our ships continue to arrive here. There is no shortage of food in this country. There is no stop-

page of the munitions and things we need coming from North America. The movement of our troops goes on. Troops from Australia and New Zealand are fighting in Libya and soldiers from Canada have arrived in this country. South African troops are operating in Kenya."

"All these have been possibly owing to British sea-power. It is that sea power which has brought about the Italian defeat in the Mediterranean and it is that sea-power too which is slowly sapping the strength of Germany."

"What of the United States? The late Lord Lothian said that if Britain were defeated and her fleet destroyed, America would require all her naval strength in the Atlantic to meet Germany and Italy, while the whole of North and South America would be at the mercy of Japan."

"In present times, it takes five to six days to cross the Atlantic by ship and less than 20 hours in a plane. We in Britain have faced great calamities but so far have come through them. More serious times may lie before us. The material assistance from the United States have strengthened our efforts against the powers of darkness and evil. We are determined to make this world a safe place for us and our children and our children's children."

NEWSETTES

His Excellency the Acting Governor will attend a special service at St. John's Cathedral tomorrow at 11 a.m. on the occasion of the Colonial Centenary.

A concert organised by the boys of King's College will be held in the College Hall tonight at 7.30 o'clock.

Lady Clark Kerr, wife of Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, arrived in the Colony on Jan. 18 and is in residence at Government House.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, as Acting Chief, Scout of the Colony, will attend a Memorial Service for the late Chief Scout, Lieut-General the Lord Baden-Powell, tomorrow at 3.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Society of Hongkong will hold a Burns' Dinner in the Peninsula Hotel, on Saturday next, Jan. 25, at 7.45 p.m.

A dance for seafarers was held at the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute last night.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, as Acting Chancellor, will hold a Congregation of Hongkong University, to be followed by a meeting of the Court of the University, on Monday next, Jan. 20, at 5.30 p.m.

Miss S. F. Sutton, M.B.E., retiring Principal Matron of the Medical Department, was the guest of honour yesterday at a farewell reception at No. 157, The Peak, the residence of the Hon. Director of Medical Services and Mrs. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke.

The annual Chinese New Year fair opened in Wanchai yesterday, the stalls being lined up along a section of Gloucester Road. The fair will continue until New Year's Eve.

His Excellency the Acting Governor will proceed to Fanling Lodge for the Chinese New Year Holidays on Saturday next, Jan. 25. His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grissett and Capt. R. E. St. John will arrive at Fanling Lodge on the same date.

THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 87 and the minimum 59. Total rainfall since January 1 is 0.64 inches against an average of 0.41.

The Royal Observatory report states:—A moderate anticyclone covers China, S. Japan and the neighbouring seas. Pressure is relatively low over Thailand.

BANDITRY IN MANCHURIA NOT THING OF PAST

Uncommon Observations By American Publisher

Some uncommon observations on his recent visit to Manchuria were made yesterday by MR. WALKER MATHESSON, publisher of "The Living Age," a reputable American journal of political writing, when interviewed by the Hongkong Daily Press.

Banditry in Manchuria today is not a thing of the past, Mr. Matheson said, though latest estimates by the local authorities have placed the total number of bandits at the low figure of 3,000.

A kind of census of bandits was kept, Mr. Matheson explained, and efforts were being made by the Japanese to dissuade them from their activity by offers of employment.

The bandits, Mr. Matheson said, were of three types. They were the men who were in the game for the sake of what was to be won by brigandage, there were former soldiers of the Young Marshal and other regular army remnants from the days of the Manchurian warlords, and lastly there were the political agitators.

These last were finding sanctuary on the Soviet border and were fairly active in Jehol and in territory close to the borders of the Chinese provinces proper. The situation on the Soviet border was quiet, Mr. Matheson affirmed, and there appeared to be no signs of impending trouble.

EMPLOYING NARCOTICS

He was quite sceptical of the widely-spread claim that the Japanese were employing narcotics as a principal means to subjugation of the Chinese people, Mr. Matheson suggested, and had not noted any widespread addiction to opium or other drugs on the part of the populace of Manchuria.

In Mukden, he had even visited a model hospital just opened for drug addicts. It was built to accommodate 150 and there were 15 people being treated. They had

come voluntarily and included Japanese, Koreans and Russians. He had spent several days in Hsingking and had interviewed heads of the Government. Mr. Matheson continued. His impression of Manchuria was of a very peaceful state. There did not seem to be any lack of food supply, though he was unaware of what conditions were like among the peasantry.

Asked about the state of American business in Manchuria, Mr. Matheson affirmed that it was nearly dead and he had found little sign of a dead city as far as American trade was concerned. Business firms that had sold the larger proportion of their interests to the Japanese were managing to survive, however, and were even getting back dividends.

AGENTS ACTIVE

Agents for German business concerns were fairly active and were selling large orders for German machinery. Some of this was coming out by the trans-Siberian railway. Japanese concerns were, however, anxious for American machinery, though they found it difficult to place orders owing to lack of foreign credits.

Mr. Matheson, who is accompanied by his wife, travelled to Hongkong by the "Kamakura Maru." He is on an extended visit to the Far East to study the situation at first hand. He will be travelling to the Philippines and hopes also to visit Chungking.

HITLER MAY REDOUBLE EFFORTS TO HELP ITALY

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first phase of the attack was over shortly after midnight. Mr. Steed recalled Emperor Haile Selassie's appeal before the League of Nations for help against aggression when Italy attacked Abyssinia.

"During all that time," he said, "the West sought safety in appeasement. Then Poland resisted aggression and though Britain and France took up the challenge they failed to save Norway, Holland and Belgium. Then France capitulated but the spirit of resistance was aroused in Britain and today the liberation of Abyssinia from the Italian yoke is part of the object of this resistance and Emperor Selassie may be sure that his cause will not be forgotten."

HITLER'S ANXIETY

"So hard have the Italians been hit by the Army of the Nile and the British Navy that Herr Hitler is bound to make an effort to stum these successes. The latest attack by German dive-bombers in the Mediterranean shows how great is Hitler's anxiety to do this. And yet a whole British convoy got through safely though not without damage to the escorting vessels."

"One, the Southampton, had to be sunk and the illustrious has sustained damage. It says much for the strength of the illustrious that even a direct hit from a 1,000-lb. bomb failed to sink her. It has also been satisfactory to learn that a dozen German fighters were shot down."

"Hitler may now redouble his efforts to prevent Italy from being knocked out of the war, but what can he do? The difference between Italian-German co-operation as it was intended to be and what Italian-German co-operations is now is very considerable. "With one end of the Axis sagging badly it has placed the dictators on the defensive in that area."

ANOTHER STREAM

"And now the sound of another gathering stream has been heard—a stream whose waters seem to

fertilise rather than to devastate areas through which it flows.

"President Roosevelt's action to help Britain makes the 'cash and carry' provision of United States neutrality look like the ancient history of a finish epoch."

Referring to Mr. Cordell Hull's message, Mr. Steed quoted some of the questions which were put to Mr. Hull and the Secretary of State's replies.

Mr. Hull was asked, "What would happen if the Axis Powers win the war?" and he replied, "The world may fall back ten centuries."

"If England wins the war we will not want a defence programme?" Mr. Hull said, "No."

"And if Germany, Italy and Japan win we will have no one to help us?" Mr. Hull: "I agree."

"That is what he said," went on Mr. Steed. "Herr Hitler can hardly mistake a reference like this nor would he cherish the thought of the Germans in 1917 who were told that help for the Allies from the United States would never cross the Atlantic."

STRAIGHT ACROSS

"Today powerful bombers have been flown straight across the Atlantic and the roar of the current of this gathering stream of help must indeed be disagreeable to Herr Hitler."

Referring to the possibility of a German invasion of Britain, Mr. Steed said, "I have never underestimated Herr Hitler's strength and his tyrannic power for ruthlessness. Centuries of German history lie behind his efforts. Yet, as a German writer puts it, no German dares to say in his heart of hearts that German efforts to subdue the world can end in anything but catastrophe."

"The British victories have caused a nervous expectation of the turning of the tide. Herr Hitler's own people do not think his defence works can stand against the gathering flood. They will, of course, man them to the last as the truth has been withheld from them. "We, for our part, will continue confident that victory is with us. As a writer once said, 'If winter comes, can the spring be far behind?'"

EIRE GOVT. CRITICISED

NOT PROVIDING AGAINST FOOD SHORTAGE

In Dublin yesterday, the EIRE GOVERNMENT was criticised in the Dail for not being alert in providing against food and fodder shortages, says a London message. The Minister of Supply pointed out that food would have to be rationed if the people did not co-operate with the Government in avoiding waste.

He also urged the people to use local produce such as potatoes, flour, etc.

WHEAT RESERVES

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IMPORTANCE OF BURMA ROAD TO CHINA

Fine British Gesture To Reopen Road

RANGOON, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—"China regards the Burma road as one of her life-lines and looks on the re-opening of the road as another gesture of Sino-British friendship."

This statement was made yesterday by General Wu Te-chen, Chinese Minister for Overseas Affairs. He added: "I wish to point out that keeping the road open will help bring victory for China and peace and stability to the Far East."

"Because Burma and China are next-door neighbours the security and peace of Burma are important to China, while China's development means a great deal to Burma."

NATIONAL RESOURCES

General Wu disclosed that they had succeeded in establishing a strong economic base in the north-west and south-west provinces for developing the natural resources of that rich region.

He hoped the Yunnan-Burma railway would soon be completed in order to develop potential trade between China and Burma.

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—Reports spread abroad concerning a meeting between Italian and German personalities are devoid of foundation, states the official Italian news agency.

Albert Calcutt, 17, Chesterton-road, Kensington, was, at the West London police court, sentenced to three months' imprisonment for stealing bananas from a raid-damaged shop.

CONCENTRATED ATTACK ON WILHELMSHAVEN

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Close round the area which was attacked are some of the most important targets in Germany.

HARDEST BLOW

There is a big dock where 24 submarines can be built at a time. On the north and south are huge power-stations and the whole area consists of nothing but engineering works, storehouses and factories and it was into this area that the R. A. F. struck their hardest blow.

As one pilot said, "It was more like stoking than bombing. We just dropped our bombs into the roaring mass of flames."

Another pilot said he saw an explosive bomb burst and there was an astonishing upheaval as debris was flung high to the air.

STILL BLAZING

The second force of raiders went over about five hours later and found the flames still blazing away. This raid, although it did

not last as long as the previous one, was also reported to have been highly successful.

The Germans are well aware of the vital importance of the Wilhelmshaven target and the R. A. F. had to face an unceasing barrage of A. A. fire.

Only one British plane is missing and the last message received from the pilot of that plane was, "Mission completed."

BRISTOL RAIDED

German raids on Britain on Thursday night were concentrated on Bristol. Some damage was caused to commercial and other buildings but the number of casualties was not heavy.

Bombs were also dropped over widely separated points in South-East and South-West. Some houses were damaged but no casualties have been reported.

A later message stated that one enemy bomber was shot down over the north of Scotland.

R.A.F. WILL BLAZE WAY TO VICTORY

Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary for Air, in a statement yesterday said, "The R.A.F. will go on striking far heavier blows on Germany and Italy and will blaze the way to victory in the coming year."

"The Air Force will go on to other forms of armament in the months that lie ahead."

A number of airmen, comprising Canadians and New Zealanders, who have been trained under the Empire Training Scheme, have arrived in England.

BELGIAN GIFT

The Belgian Minister in London yesterday handed Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, a cheque for £100,000 from the Belgian Government for the purchase of aircraft, says a London message.

The Minister said he wished his Government could have made it a thousand times larger.

Lord Beaverbrook, in reply, said that the British public would recognise the spirit of gift, and the extreme measure of cordiality between the two countries it showed.

POSTHUMOUS D.F.C.

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—The Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded to SQUADRON-LEADER W. J. HICKEY, who was killed in action recently.

Squadron-Leader Hickey was an Australian seconded for service with the R.A.F.

In the Middle East last August, he was outstandingly successful and since his squadron moved to Greece two months ago, it accounted for 42 enemy aircraft and lost only three of its own planes.

He spent much time in an aerodrome workshop in Sydney and he attempted to enlist in the Royal Australian Air Force before he was old enough.

Eventually, he succeeded and was trained in Australia and then seconded to the R.A.F.

MADRID, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—The American Red Cross, at President Roosevelt's suggestion, offered France a consignment of wheat or flour to cover the most urgent needs of the Spanish civil population.

WENDELL WILLKIE GIVES FULL SUPPORT

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Atlantic bombing the United States and returning to their bases. CLOSER UP

He replied that such air attacks would have to use bases closer up to the United States. Newfoundland, he said, would be within easy range of all the New England coast.

It was imperative that United States factories should work at top speed to help Britain to preserve her place as the bulwark of the Atlantic Ocean.

Mr. Roosevelt had a conference with the Secretaries for War and Navy on Thursday evening. Earlier in the day he sent a message to the Congress asking for authority to build 200 merchant ships. He specified that they should be steel ships and designed with an eye to rapid construction. He said, "I am convinced that our vital interests demand that immediate steps should be taken to provide against a world shortage of cargo vessels."

NAVAL EXPANSION

In the meantime, the United States Navy is pushing ahead its plans for expansion and the Naval Committee has approved of an expenditure of \$182,000,000 for this work.

In addition, 400 ships, mainly of the submarine-chaser and mine-sweeping kind, are also to be constructed.

Shortly before the Naval Committee approved of an expenditure of \$75,000,000 for strengthening the U.S. Fleet against air attack.

JAPANESE DISCUSSIONS

The Japanese Cabinet, and members of the High Command, are having discussions on the latest developments in America.

A message from London stated that the Domei Agency was authoritatively given to understand that the Japanese Government had decided not to issue a statement in reply to Mr. Hull's evidence before the Committee.

The Japanese newspapers attacked Mr. Hull with great fury.

The ASAHI SHIMBUN accused the United States of attempting to control Australia, New Zealand, Singapore and the Netherlands East Indies.

The NICHU NICHU takes exception to Mr. Hull using the words seditious demagogue, and the YO-

MIURI SHIMBUN laughs at the idea that the United States has never threatened Japan.

EDITORIAL BARRAGE

(TOKYO, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—Accusing Mr. Cordell Hull of lying, slandering and war-mongering, the entire Tokyo Press continued its editorial barrage against Mr. Hull's testimony.

The Yomiuri Shimbun editorial characterised Mr. Hull's declaration as "the most amazing tongue-in-cheek statement ever made by any statesman in any part of the world, which has been brought to our attention."

The evidence given by Mr. Stimson is also regarded as significant because Mr. Stimson is the Republican member of Mr. Roosevelt's Cabinet and his views are likely to have an effect on the Republican Party.

A Gallup poll taken on the question of whether war material for Britain should be sent on American ships has resulted in the previous number who voted in the affirmative in 1939 being doubled.

"IF IT COMES"

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—New York City's war consciousness is strikingly illustrated by the distribution at the first meeting of Mayor La Guardia's New City Defence Council of the pamphlet "If It Comes."

The pamphlet instructs the public to keep calm. The possible use of New York's subways as air raid shelters was discussed at the meeting.

FINANCIALLY INTACT

"We do not believe that the British Government should be treated as a potential pauper and subjected to means test," declares the NEW YORK HERALD-TRIBUNE, in a leading article on the financial aid to Britain.

"It is in the interest of this country, no less than Britain, that the latter should be preserved financially intact as a going concern."

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—John G. Winant, former Director of the International Labour Office at Geneva, was selected by President Roosevelt as Ambassador to Britain, in succession to Mr. Joseph Kennedy. It is learned from a source to the President, states a Washington message to the NEW YORK NEWS.

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Thai Units Halted

HANOI, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—On Jan. 15, Thai units tried to seize our advanced posts west of Pakse, using 1,000 men supported by artillery and some tanks, but the energetic action by small French units halted the advance and on the same day French patrols cleared up the territory up to the border, suffering only one slight casualty, states Vice-Admiral Decoux's communique.

BELGRADE, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—General Antonescu, the Rumanian dictator met Nazi statesmen in the Bavarian Alps on Thursday, according to messages received here.

AUSTRALIA MAKES BREN GUNS

Bren guns are being turned out in a steady stream in Australia and an Australian message states that the manufacture of these guns is regarded as the most impressive part of Australia's war effort.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (Reuters)—The United States and Mexico are to open negotiations with the object of forging a strong bond of "neighbour" friendship and establishing close collaboration in the inter-American defence plans, according to messages from Washington. The negotiations will start immediately after President Roosevelt's inauguration, it is stated.

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ST. ANDREW'S

(Church of England, Kowloon) Acting-Vicar to preach at both Services

The following are the forthcoming services: etc. at St. Andrew's Church, Sunday, January 19th, Second Sunday after Epiphany.

Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Young People Service in the Church at 10 a.m. Leader: Miss E. Gibbins, Primary Sunday School in the Hall at 10 a.m. Leader: Miss W. Robinson.

Choral Communion and Sermon at 11 a.m. Preacher: The Rev. H.A. Wittenbach, Evenson and Sermon at 8.15 p.m. Preacher: The Rev. H.A. Wittenbach, This Sunday Club will meet after the Service.

WEEK DAY NOTICES

Monday, Jan. 20th. Medical War Working Party for China at 10 a.m. Fellowship of Youth at 6.15 p.m. St. Andrew's Club at 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 21st Church Council Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Intercession Service in connexion with the war at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 22nd. St. Andrew's Wolf Cubs in the Hall at 5.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Rover Scouts meet at 11 Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong at 8.45 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 23rd. Medical War Working Party for China at 10 a.m. St. Andrew's Club at 9 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24th. Choir Practice at 6.30 p.m.

Next Sunday, January 26th. Australia Day. Special Service at 11 a.m. to which all Australian Residents are invited.

The rooms of St. Andrew's Fellowship are open daily from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

UNION CHURCH

(Kennedy Road)

Sunday, Jan. 19. Morning worship 10.30 a.m. Preacher: Rev. J.E. Sandbach. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. Moreton.

CATHOLIC NEWS & NOTES

CENTENARY IN HONGKONG: FAMOUS JEW AND POPE: RELIGION IN FINLAND

The Centenary of Hongkong, which is being commemorated during these days, has a special interest for Catholics, for it is also just a hundred years since the first Catholic Mission was founded in Hongkong. The decree establishing it was dated April 22, 1841 and it was a few months later that the Swiss priest Fr. Theodore Joset came as Prefect Apostolic to Hongkong, accompanied by a Fr. Guillet.

Fr. Joset was very courteously received by the authorities and was invited to choose any place he wished, other than the sites chosen for Government use, for the erection of a church. The place eventually agreed upon was "between the powder magazine and the artillery barracks" and "a temporary match shed was erected."

The first Mass was celebrated on Feb. 26, 1842. Some three months later the foundation stone of a permanent church was laid, and from that time progress has continued.

Twenty-five years later the fathers of the Pontifical Institute of Milan were given charge of the Mission, and by that time there were more than three thousand Catholics in the Colony. At present there are about seven times that number.

According to the population grew and the need of the Catholic colony increased various Religious Congregations came. The French Sisters of St. Paul de Chartres began work in 1848, the Canossian Sisters in 1860 and the Brothers of the Christian Schools in 1875. The work done for education in the Colony by these three bodies is well known to all.

FAMOUS JEW AND POPE
Bruno Walter, the famous conductor, who because of his Jewish blood is an exile from Germany, has recalled a personal meeting with the present Pope when he was Apostolic Nuncio to Bavaria. It was shortly before the outbreak of the first Great War, when great tension existed in the Central Europe states.

The eminent pianist and conductor, Ossip Gabrilowitsch, a close friend of Herr Walter, was arrested by the German authorities on suspicion of being a Russian spy. Quite innocent activities were easily misinterpreted when a charge of that kind was made, and Walter had great fears for his friend. He knew him intimately for Walter was then Director of the Bavarian Opera and Gabrilowitsch was his fellow-conductor, and he was convinced that he was completely innocent, but he realised the difficulty of persuading the authorities of this or of inducing them to act rationally.

Then he thought of the Apostolic Nuncio, whom he had never met but whom he had often seen at concerts and knew by repute to be a great lover of music. He went to him, explained the case

and asked him to do what he could. In a few hours Gabrilowitsch was free. The brief meeting left a profound impression on Herr Walter, who declared: "If ever a man was raised up to lead a distracted world from its present troubles it is Pius XII."

LINK WITH TROUBLED DAYS

The death occurred recently of an old nun who was a fortunate survivor of the Boxer Rising. She was Sr. Fraisse who died in Peking at the age of 88.

Sister Fraisse entered the novitiate of the Sisters of Charity in the 'seventies' and left for China in 1882. She was Superior of a hospital at the time of the Boxer Rebellion. When the mob laid siege to the legations, Sister Fraisse with other members of the Congregation, orphans and other Chinese children, took shelter within the Cathedral enclosure.

They were defended by a 23-year-old officer, Paul Henri, and 30 French and Italian sailors. At the cost of his own life, Henri saved the lives of 3,400 persons, including Sister Fraisse.

In 1927, Sister Fraisse was made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honour. A brother of the young French officer, Fr. Yves Henri, is now Superior of the Jesuits in Shanghai.

RELIGION IN FINLAND

Before the war conditions were difficult for Catholics in Finland, where they were in a small minority and the victims of considerable prejudice.

A Finnish priest, Rev. Wilfrid de Christerson, reports a welcome change since the close of the Finnish war. He has been summoned into service as a military chaplain, it being the first time a Catholic priest has performed such a duty in that country.

He relates that he was called to a meeting of chaplains, all of them Protestants except himself. He was well received, he reports, and the Chief of Army Chaplains specifically thanked Father de Christerson for giving his services.

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

Prince Edward Rd. Tel. 56217

Jan. 18, Saturday, at 3.30 p.m. Meeting of St. Teresa's C.Y.L.A. Jan. 19, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany: 8.30 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in Chinese. 8 a.m. Choral Mass. Sermon in English and Benediction. 10 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in English.

On week-days: Holy Mass at 6.30 and 7.15 a.m.

Jan. 21, Feast of St. Agnes: General Communion of Children of Mary's Sodality.

Jan. 22, Wednesday: at 7 p.m. Retiret in Chinese, with Rosary, Sermon and Benediction. On following days a Sermon for young ladies will be given also at 9 a.m.

Jan. 24, Friday: a Service of Intercession with the Way of the Cross at 6 p.m.

ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH, HONGKONG

Queen's Road East, Opposite the Royal Naval Hospital

Preachers: Morning—Rev. E. Moreton; Evening—Rev. J. E. Sandbach. Morning parade service 10.15 a.m. Hymn 109, Prayer, Hymn 514, First Lesson, Hymn 21, Second Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn 450, Sermon, Hymn 898, Benediction. Evening service 7 p.m. Hymn 678, Prayer, Hymn 157, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn 503, Sermon, Hymn 947, Benediction.

Mr. L. V. Yung—Soloist.

NOTICES FOR WEEK

Following the evening service a social hour will be held at 8 & 8 Home 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians warmly welcomed. A meeting for Prayer and Fellowship will be held at 8 & 8 Home on Tuesday, 8.30 p.m. Monday and Thursday at 8 & 8 Home—Baptist Union Church 7 p.m. Wednesday 6.30 p.m. House Committee meets at 8 & 8 Home.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Causeway Road:

2nd Sunday after Epiphany—Pope's Day Morning services: 1st Mass at 6 with sermon in Chinese. 2nd Mass at 8 Solemn High Mass. 3rd Mass at 10 with sermon in English; Evening services: at 3 Memorial Service to the late Lord Baden-Powell, Chief Scout, by the Catholic Boy Scouts and Girl Guides of Hongkong and Kowloon. The funeral oration by the Rev. Fr. George Byrne, S.J., President of the Catholic Boy Scouts; at 4 Recitation of the Holy Rosary, sermon on the Papal Day by Rev. Fr. H. Craig S.J., and Benediction. Jan. 23—Recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5.30 p.m. On week days Mass at 6 and 7.30; Confessions morning and evening.

THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Hongkong Branch

Chapel, 25, Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong

The Rev. John Bechtel, Pastor. Sunday Services: In English: 10 a.m. Worship. Speaker: Mr. C. B. Carter. Subject: "The Good Shepherd." 6.30 p.m. Young People's Service. Speaker: Miss M. E. Whitney. Subject: "Four Little Wise Things." In Cantonese: 11 a.m. Worship. 3 p.m. Sunday School. 7.30 p.m. Evangelistic meeting. Mid-week services: In Cantonese: Wednesday, Jan. 22, 7.30 p.m. Evangelistic-prayer meeting. Special Chinese New Year meetings. (Starting with the morning service on Jan. 28 a week of special meetings will be held at the Chapel by a group of workers from the Bethel Bible Seminary. In addition to the usual Sunday services, evangelistic meetings will be held every evening at 7.30 p.m. The special services will close with the 7.30 meeting on Sunday evening, Feb. 2.

FRATERNITY PRAYER ROOM

No. 77 Pokfulam Road, Hongkong.

Saturday, 8.30 p.m. Third talk on "1941 and afterwards." Subject: "Nebuchadnezzar's vision (Daniel 2)" and the dramatic closure of Man's Supremacy: when Christ Comes." Sunday, 9.45 a.m. Service of Holy Communion. Service over at 10.30—in time for friends to attend their churches. 8.30 p.m. Evangelistic meeting to explain the gospel of the grace of God.



Mr. H. D. Bidwell and his bride, formerly Miss Elsie Lammert, after their marriage at St. Joseph's Church yesterday afternoon. (King's Studio).

INTERPORT RUGBY PLAYER MARRIED
Mr. Harold D. Bidwell Weds Miss Elsie Lammert

A pretty society wedding took place at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, yesterday afternoon when MISS ELSIE JEAN LAMMERT, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel E. Lammert, of No. 1, Chatham Road, Kowloon, became the bride of MR. HAROLD DENISON BIDWELL, prominent Club rugby player who represented the Colony against Shanghai in 1936 and 1939.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

2nd Sunday after Epiphany. Papal Day. First Mass and General Communion 8 a.m. Second Mass 10 a.m., followed by Benediction. The collection of this day is on behalf of the Holy Father, Peter's Pence.

On week-days, Holy Mass 8 a.m. Confessions are heard every day, before and after Mass. On Saturdays, the special time for Confessions is from 4.30 to 8 p.m.

CHRIST CHURCH

Kowloon Tong
2nd Sunday after the Epiphany. Services in English: 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion, 9.45 Choral Eucharist and Sermon. Preacher: The Rev. Cyril Brown, M.A. 6.30 p.m. Evenson. Services in Mandarin: 8 a.m. Holy Communion. Morning prayer and sermon, Jan. 21—V.D.M.A. Annual Meeting (Christ Church Branch) 6 p.m. in Vicarage. Jan. 22—4.30 p.m. Wolf Cubs. Jan. 23—7.15 a.m. Holy Communion, 10 Meeting of the Guild of Martha and Mary in Vicarage. 8 p.m. Choir Practice in Church. Jan. 24—6 p.m. Annual meeting of the Guild of Martha and Mary in Vicarage. Jan. 25—Conversion of St. Paul. 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

2nd Sunday after Epiphany. 8 a.m. Holy Communion (Communicants' Fellowship) and in Peak Church 11 Mattins and sermon. (Broadcast) Preacher, The Dean. 12.15 p.m. Holy Communion. 6.15 Evenson and sermon. Preach, Rev. A. P. Rose. All are invited to attend the social hour after evenson in Cathedral Hall. Holy Communion is celebrated on—Thursday 7.30 a.m. Friday 7.45 a.m. (In Cantonese) Saturday (Conversion of St. Paul) 7.30 a.m. Monday 8 p.m. Badminton in Cathedral Hall. Thursday 10.15 p.m. Sick intercessions.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated at the following weddings at the Registry yesterday:—

Mr. Mah Yee-jun, cashier, residing at No. 15, Queen Victoria St., and Miss Lau Lai-ngor of No. 22, Wing Lee Street.

Mr. Ho Har-lai, surveyor of the Public Works Department, residing at No. 581, Nathan Road, and Miss Tam Kwong-chan of No. 11, Woosung Street.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Forthcoming weddings announced are:—

Mr. G. Tseng Ching-lu of No. 28, Robinson Road, and Miss Chen Wen-shien of No. 13A, Caine Road. Dr. Hung Ki-yong of No. 125, Nanchang Street, and Miss To Lai-wan of No. 1, Lock Road.

TO ELIMINATE PROSTITUTION

The Kwangtung Provincial Government is determined to eliminate prostitution in the province within this year. Stern orders have been issued to the different hsin to carry this out by three stages of three months each. (Central News).

H.K. VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT, HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

OBITUARY

The Commandant regrets to announce the death of No. 4715 Gnr. N. Lee, 6th A.A. Battery, which occurred on 25.12.40.

RECRUITS' MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Jan. 24, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Orderly Medical Officer—Lieut. E. W. Stout.

N.C.O.'S DRILL COURSE

Jan. 20—24. (Inclusive), H.Q. Parade Ground, 5.30 p.m. Those detailed by Units in accordance with H.K. V.D.C. No. 1/62/41 of the 9.1.41.

PARADES

Corps Artillery

Camps—Batteries will proceed to Camp as under:—

5th A.A. Bty. 6-13/2/41, H.Q. 2.15 p.m.; 1st Bty. 6-13/2/41, H.Q. 2.45 p.m.; 4th Bty. 6-14/2/41, H.Q. 3.15 p.m.; 3rd Bty. 14-21/2/41, H.Q. 2.15 p.m.; 2nd Bty. 14-21/2/41, H.Q. 3.00 p.m.

Qualification
Bdr. H. Y. Tang, 4th Bty. qualified as a Gun Layer.

Dress for All Day Parades As usual.

1st Battery

Jan. 21, H.Q. 8 a.m. for D'Aguiar. Jan. 22, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. B.C.A. Class, those detailed. Dress—Muff.

2nd Battery

Jan. 21, Bel-hers, 5.30 p.m. Layers and D.R.F. Class. Gun drill and Dummy Loader for those absent from parade on the 16th and for Recruits. Dress—Muff, Overalls and S.D. caps to be carried.

Jan. 23, H.Q. 8 a.m. for Bluff Head.

3rd Battery

Jan. 20, St. John's Place, 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s. Dress—Overalls, S.D. caps, web belts and frogs.

Jan. 23. (i) St. John's Place, 8 a.m. All except D.E.L. (ii) St. John's Place, 2 p.m. D.E.L.

Jan. 24, St. John's Place, 5.30 p.m. B.G.A. Class. D.E.L. School. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L.

4th Battery

Jan. 21, H.Q. 8 a.m. for Pakshawan.

5th A.A. Battery

Jan. 21, H.Q. 8.30 a.m. No. 1 Sec. for Salwan.

Jan. 21, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Sec. Dress—Muff.

Jan. 23, H.Q. 8.30 a.m. No. 2 Sec. for Salwan.

Jan. 23, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Sec. Dress—Muff.

Camp Pay. — All members of the Bty. who have not collected Camp Pay must do so from B.S.M. McConnell at the Bty. Office H.Q. between 5 and 6 p.m. on Jan. 21.

Field Company Engineers

Jan. 23. (i) 8.30 a.m. K.O.R. Kit

Inspection. Dress—Shorts, cardigans, S.D. caps, boots, hosepots and puttees. All spare clothing (less toolboxes) must be carried in kit-bags. Jack-knives, pliers and "red books" must be produced by those in possession of same. (ii) 9 a.m. Nos. 1 and 3 Sections (less details) will carry on with Technical Training at K.C.F. under Section Officers. No. 2 Section (plus details from Nos. 1 and 3 Sections) will proceed to Golden Hill for Technical Work under Captain Wadell.

Corps Signals

Jan. 20, H.Q. 5.20 p.m. (i) Unclassified Men. Lamp Reading. (ii) 1st Year Men. Buzzer Practice and Procedure. (iii) 2nd Year Men, except N.C.O.'s need not attend parade.

Jan. 22, H.Q. 2 p.m. (i) Classified men. Field Signalling exercise. (ii) Unclassified men. Signal training according to programme. (iii) Evening parade. Signal training as detailed.

Jan. 24, H.Q. 2 p.m. (i) Mainland Section. Recce. (ii) Classified men. Field signalling. (iii) Unclassified men. Signal training according to programme. (iv) Evening parade. Signal training as detailed.

Mobile Column
Jan. 20, Hung Hom, 5.30 p.m. All platoons. Driving instructions and Crew Drill.

Jan. 22, Hung Hom, 7.30 a.m. Exercise New Territories. Dress—Battle Order. R.T.R. cap.

Jan. 24, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Squad drill.

Postings—Inter Platoon
4687 Pte. Halsall, H. Posted to No. 4 (M.M.G.) Pl. 3990 Pte. Sheehan, R.B. Posted to No. 6 (M.M.G.) Pl.

RADIO PROGRAMME

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TOMORROW HONGKONG CENTENARY COMMEMORATION

Talks and Recitals

11.00 a.m. Relay of a Special Centenary Service from St. John's Cathedral. Address by The Dean of Hong Kong.

12.15 p.m. Vaughan Williams—Serenade to Music.

Sir Henry J. Wood conducting the B.B.C. Orchestra. Soloists: I. Baillie, S. Allen, E. Suddaby, E. Turner, M. Jaffour, A. Desmond, M. Brunsell, M. Barford, H. Nash, W. Widdow, P. Jones, F. Titterton, R. Henderson, R. Easton, H. Williams, N. Allen.

12.30 Violin Solos by Yehudi Menuhin.

Legende, Op. 17 (Wienawski)—With Orchestra Des Concerts Colonne cond. by Georges Enesco. La Ronde Des Lutins, Op. 25 (Bazini)—with Piano accomp.

12.45 The Royal Command Concert, 1938.

To Heart-Easing Mirth (Percell)—Isabel Baillie, Elsie Suddaby, Astral Desmond and Chorus. The Cloud-Cap Towers (Stevens)—Massed Chorus cond. by Sir Hugh Allen. Y Bore Glas (Welsh Folk Song)—Margaret Rees and Welsh Chorus.

Robert Easton and English Chorus. England (Parry)—Mary Jarred and Massed Chorus; Jerusalem (Parry); National Anthem (Final verse)—Massed Chorus.

1.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report.

1.03 Composition of Eric Coates & Roger Quilter.

Four Ways Suite (Eric Coates): Northwards (March)—Southwards (Waltz)—Eastwards (Eastern Dance)—Westwards (Rhythm)—New Light Symphony Orchestra. Music When Soft Voices Die (Words: Shelley; Music: Quilter); Love's Philosophy (Shelley)—Quilter; Mark Raphael (Baritone) with Roger Quilter at the Piano. Children's Overture (Quilter)—New Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.20 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act I.

Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Suzuki, servant of Cho-Cho-San; Mannarini (Mezzo-Soprano); Lieut. Pinkerton of U.S.N.—Cecil (Tenor); Goro, marriage broker—Paldi (Tenor); Sharpless, U.S. Consul—Weinberger (Baritone); Cho-Cho-San—Sherridan (Soprano); Pince Yamadori—Cecil (Bass); The Bonze—Masini (Bass) with Members of La Scala, Milan, Orchestra and Chorus.

2.30 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

7.45 Radio—Recital by Father O'Mara (Baritone) with A. T. Lay at the Piano.

7.50 Orchestral Interlude.

Menuet (Bethoven), Entracte Gavotte (Mikron—Thomas), You Shall

Be The King of My Heart (Stolz) — Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Special Centenary Programme.

Talks by:—Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt. on "Early Reminiscences of Hongkong"; Mr. P. S. Cassidy on "Growth of Trade in Hongkong"; Mr. C. Champkin on "Early Days of the Hongkong A.D.C."; Reading of talk by The Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow "Upon this Rock".

Interspersed with Recitals by—The Choir and Organ of St. Joseph's Church. Two Piano Pieces and Solos by Harry Ore and John Smith including some of their own compositions.

11.00 Close down.

The News and Commentary will be relayed from London as usual between 9 and 9.30 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., Jan. 17.

Barometer (at sea level) 30.10 ins.

Finance and Commerce

HUNAN TO ENHANCE GOLD PRODUCTION

Active steps are being taken by the Hunan authorities to develop the gold mining industry in the province. To enhance production, modern scientific methods of mining will be introduced. It is expected that the present monthly output of 7,000 ounces will be increased in the near future.

For the purpose of gold mining, the province is divided into the following areas: North-east Area embracing Yoyang and Pinglu-yang, Central, East Area embracing Tanti, Hengshan, Tan-heng and Kaolung, Southern Area embracing Yangling, Tulungling (hill) and Fuyungshan (hill), Central West Area embracing Yuanchi and Yuanli, and Southwest Area embracing Tungwu and two other districts.

Of the five areas, the Central East is richest in gold ores. The average output of gold produced in the area is 4,000 ounces monthly, representing 60 per cent of the total production of the province. Next is the Southwest Area with an output of 3,000 ounces monthly.

REFORMS CARRIED OUT

In order to increase production, Mr. Yu Chuan-chi, Commissioner of Reconstruction, has carried out reforms in the different mining administrations with a view to enhancing their efficiency. Many mining enterprises have been reorganized, while new ones are being organized.

Engineering offices with modern scientific equipment have been established at various mining

areas and hydraulic power is utilised to supply current to run the motors. —(Central News).

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter) — In the Stock Exchange yesterday continued interest in Industrials was the main feature and further substantial gains were recorded, especially among Tobacco and Breweries and shares of the heavy industry.

Home Rails were also forging ahead and Oils, after losing some ground made a smart recovery. Diamond and Rubber issues attracted increased attention and Kaffirs closed firm.

Among Foreign Bonds, Japanese Loans eased but Chinese Loans were well supported. Wall Street was quiet and steady.

BROKERS' LOANS

New York, Jan. 16 (Reuter). — Loans on securities to brokers in New York: —

Wk.-ended 11/1/40 9/1/41 16/1/41

\$519,000,000 \$350,000,000 \$323,000,000

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Prices remained steady with a fair amount of business recorded. BUSINESS DONE DURING THE WEEK

H.K. Banks, \$1380, \$1385, \$1390, \$1395.
Bank of East Asia, \$76.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$167½.
Wharves, \$96.
Docks (O), \$18.60.
Docks (N), \$18.10.
Hotels, \$31, \$35.5.
Trams, \$17.90, \$18, \$18.20, \$18.35, \$18.40, \$18.55.
Lights Ex. Rts., \$61.
Lights Rts., 95, 96, 90, 95 Cts.
Electric (O), \$40.
Electric (N), \$39, \$40.
Telephones (O), \$25½.
Cements, \$18.35, \$18.30.
H.K. Govt. 3½%,
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan (1934), 94.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan (1934) (ex. int), 92½.

Buyers

H.K. Banks, \$1395.
Bank of East Asia, \$75.50.
Canton Ins., \$207.50.
Union Ins., \$405.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$165.
Providents, \$57.0.
Wharves, \$96.
Hotels, \$35.50.
Trams, \$18.40.
Peak Trams (O), \$7.50.
Star Ferries, \$52.
Lights Rts., \$5.20.
Lights Rts., 95 Cts.
Electric (O), \$40.25.
Electric (N), \$40.
Telephones (O), \$25.
Cements, \$18.10.
Dairy Farms, \$19.20.
Entertainments, \$7.
Constructions (O), \$1.60.

Sellers

H.K. Land 4½ Debentures, \$100.
Trams, \$18.70.
Lights Rts., \$1.
Telephones (O), \$25.50.
Cements, \$18.30.
Vibro Piling, \$7.70.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan (1934), \$92.25.
H.K. Banks, \$1395.
Trams, \$18.50.
Lights Rts., \$1.
Cements, \$18.30.
Ropes, \$3.25.
Dairy Farms, \$19.20.
Watsons, \$11.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Friday, Jan. 17, 1941.

SALES
China Lights Rts. 675 \$ 95
Cements 300 18.35
H.K. Docks (O) 100 18.60
Dairy Farms 105 19.10
H.K. Tramways 100 18.50
H.K. Telephones (O) 75 25.25
H.K. Wharves 4 90.00
A.S. Watsons 200 11.00

2,081
The total value is \$25,511.50.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, Jan. 16.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3½% (Red. after 1952) 103½
Defence Loan, 3½% 101½
Nantoin-Pukow Rly, 5% 13
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) 44
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925/47 42-47
Chin. 4½% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 45
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912 26½
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.) 34
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) 10
Chin. Imperial Rly, 5% Loan 47
Hanan Rly, 5% 17
Hukuang Rly, 5%, 1911... 15
(L.P. N.Y. Issue) 15
Hukuang Rly, 5%, 1911... 13
(German Issue) 13
Lung Tsing & U Hai Rly, 5% 1913 14
Shai-N'King Rly, 5% 16
Tientsin-Pukow Rly, 5% (Brit. Stpd.) 15
Tientsin-Pukow Rly, 5%

HOW A.A. GUNS WORK TODAY: GUNNERY MORE COMPLICATED

Almost every R.A.F. pilot who returns from a raid over Germany or enemy-occupied territory makes some reference to "Flak" in his report. He may report that "Flak" was either heavy or light, accurate or inaccurate, intense or moderate, or, if his luck is in, that there was no "Flak."

"Flak" is, in fact, what used to be called in the last war "Archie," "Ack-Ack," or anti-aircraft fire. The name comes from the German initials—FLAK—"Flieger Abwehr Kanone," or the gun that drives off raiders.

VARIED BUSINESS

In these days of high flying and mass raids anti-aircraft gunnery is a more complicated and varied business than it was in the last war, and the "Flak" intelligence experts at the Air Ministry have recently issued for the information of those concerned a "Strangers' guide to Flak." This guide shows, in convenient and readily grasped form, the range, calibre, weight, and type of shell and rate of fire.

There are two principal kinds of "Flak," light and heavy. Light "Flak" are guns of calibre between three quarters of an inch and two inches. The weight of the shell increases from less than half a pound in the case of the smallest of the guns to three and one-third pounds in the case of a 47mm. The rate of fire decreases as the range, weight of shell, and calibre increase. The German 20mm. gun, for example, fires about 180 rounds a minute up to 7,000 feet, while the 47mm. fires 25 rounds a minute to a height of more than three miles.

FIRE CONTROL DIFFERS

Light "Flak" fire tracer shells which burst on impact and have self destroying detonators. That is to say, they explode in the air, even if they miss the target, and therefore cannot fall back and explode on the ground. Heavy "Flak" do not fire tracers. They fire time-fused shells and range from the 15-rounds-a-minute 75mm. guns, throwing shells to 20,000 feet, to the 105mm. guns firing 10 thirty-two pounder shells a minute to 30,000 feet.

The method of fire control differs between light and heavy "Flak." Light "Flak" is directed by a speed and course sight. Heavy "Flak" is controlled by a predictor, the complicated instrument with which eleven men obtain for the gunner all the data necessary in theory for the shell to meet its target. In the interval between the firing of the gun and the arrival of the shell at the point of prediction the aircraft has not changed direction, height, or speed. Normally an aircraft encountering "Flak" would continue to change at least one of these factors.

VISUAL SHOOTING

At night or in cloud "Flak" fire can be directed by sound locators, but this method is naturally much less accurate than visual shooting. Our own anti-aircraft batteries possess guns equivalent to or better than the German "Flak." It is encouraging to note that while our "Ack-Ack" batteries have scored many successes over Germany's fighters and bombers in recent raids, our own aircraft frequently fly home after having passed through intense heavy or light "Flak" barrages. Occasionally shells have actually passed through their wings or fuselages.

ENVOY FOR DE GAULLE

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not even allow the name of France to be used.

SEE HITLER'S FATE SEALED

"So, in either term of the alternative, what is the use of such a turpitude? If Hitler shows now a more lenient attitude, it is because he is beginning to sense that victory is getting more and more out of his grasp, owing to the magnificent resistance of our British friends and to the effective help of America, which is becoming more every day the 'Arsenal of Democracies'; Hitler's fate is now sealed, his rout is a matter of months.

From Vichy come to us gratuitous words whose hue we are not at a loss to recognise. They speak of moral unity, of abnegation, of regeneration, and the like.

MORAL UNITY

"Moral unity can be but the result of a worthy national policy aimed at still resistance against the hereditary enemy and regeneration will only be found in the ultimate triumph of Right and Justice.

"On Nov. 11, 1918, Premier Poincaré, announcing to the French chambers the victory over Germany, said in a magnificent apostrophe:

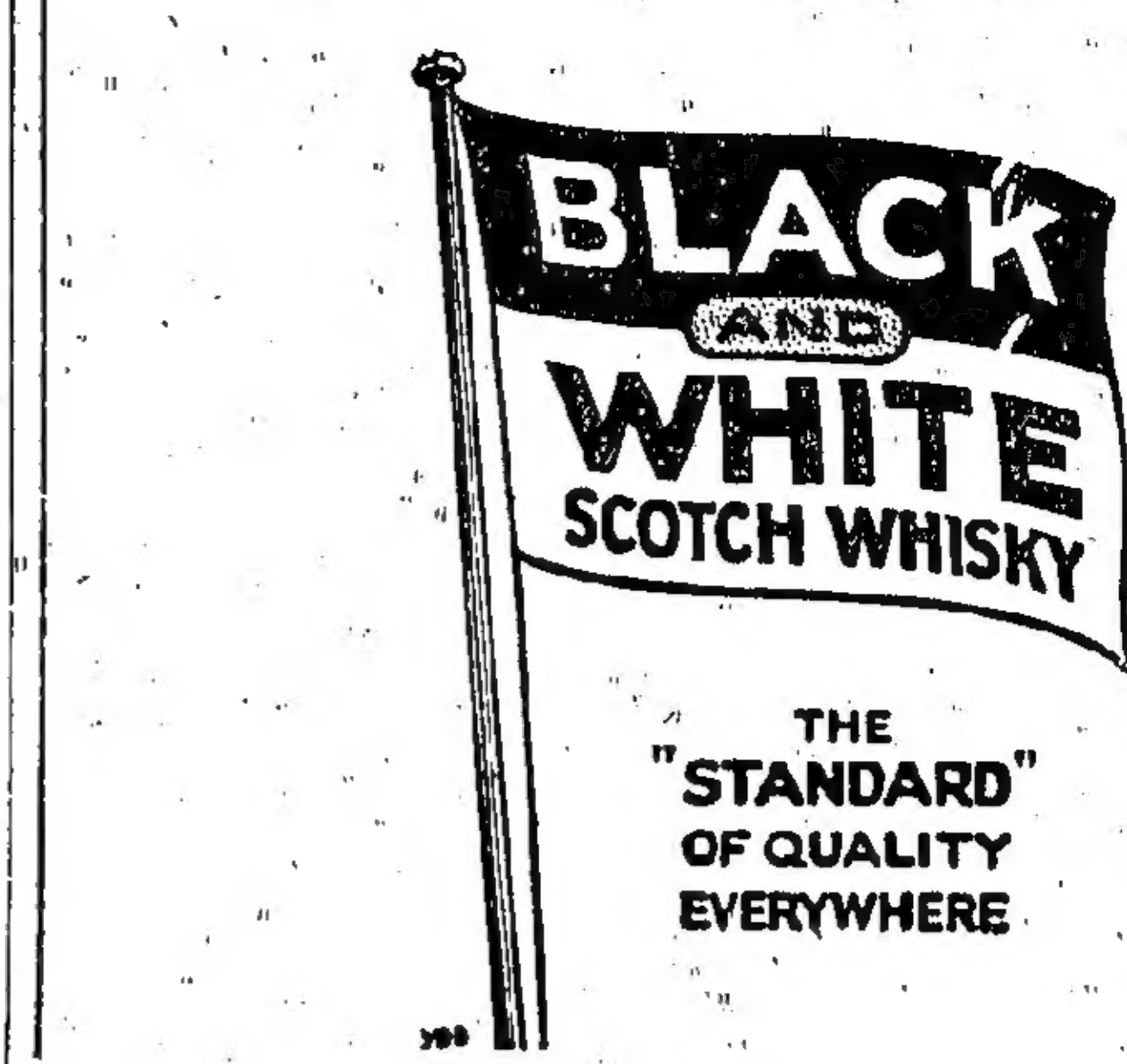
"The Day of Glory proclaimed by the Marsellaise has come at last. Germany has surrendered!"

"Twenty-two years have elapsed and tragic days are now before us. But in the Marsellaise again, in which lives the soul of France we will seek our inspiration: our cry will be for ever:

"Contre nous, de la tyrannie. L'Etendard sanglant est levé. Aux armes citoyens! Formez vos Bataillons!"

AT SAME RESIDENCE

Mr. Willoquet stated that he and his family will continue residing at 139 Romero Salas, where



THE "STANDARD" OF QUALITY EVERYWHERE

NO IF OR MAY BE IT'S THE SCOTCH.

he also will have his office. Mr. and Mrs. Willoquet are socially prominent in Manila in addition to the official standing of Mr. Willoquet, who ranks as a consul, first class. Mr. Willoquet pleasantly remarked, "our ten-year residence here is concrete evidence that we like the Philippines and we are glad to continue our residence here where we have many friendships which we value highly."

Mr. Willoquet has been active in the promotion of French culture, having organized classes for the teaching of French, classes in which many persons, representing several nationalities, have studied. Mr. Willoquet, a staunch supporter of democratic ideals and an ardent patriotic Frenchman, has followed developments in Europe and in the Far East very closely. His official affiliation with the Free France (De Gaulle) organization is no surprise to his many personal and official friends here.

EXPECTS NO TROUBLE

M. La Roch arrived on the French mail liner D'Aragnan with his family. They were met outside the breakwater by M. Willoquet and a number of French residents.

M. La Roch said he expected to take charge of the local French consulate in a day or so, as soon as "minor details" have been attended to by his predecessor. He will retain the present staff in the consulate, he announced, and pending receipt of instructions from Vichy, will carry out policies of previous French consuls here.

Notwithstanding the fact that practically all French residents here are members of the Free France movement or sympathisers of General De Gaulle, M. La Roch does not expect any difficulties with them, explaining that his "mission in Manila is not of a political nature."

"They are entitled to their political convictions," he said, "and although our opinions in that respect vary I do not expect to have anything but cordial relations with them."

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

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HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	FRIDAY 17 JAN.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
\$1395	H.K. Banks	...	...	...	\$1395
...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	...	282
...	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	284
...	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	...	293
\$75½	Bank of East Asia	\$75½	...	...	210½
...	N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	...	13 ct.
...	Insurance	...	...	...	...
...	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	\$205
\$207½	Union Insurance	\$405	...	...	...
\$405	Underwriters	...	...	...	80 ct
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	\$165
\$185	Shipping	...	...	...	...
...	Douglases	...	...	...	\$135
...	Steamships	...	...	...	84
...	Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	...	\$100
...	Indo-China (Def.)	...	...	...	\$100
...	Shells	...	...	...	46/3
...	Waterboats	...	...	...	\$7
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & E. Wharves	...	...	...	\$95
\$96	Providents	...	...	...	\$5.70
\$5.70	H.K. Docks (Old)	...	...	...	\$18.60
...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...	\$18.10
...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	\$36½
...	Mining	...	...	...	...
...	Kailans	...	...	...	16/3
...	Rauba	...	...	...	\$7½
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...	1½ cts.
...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	...	...	\$3.55
...	H.K. Land	...	...	...	\$34
...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	\$100
...	Shanghai Land	...	...	...	\$15.10
...	H.K. Realities	...	...	...	\$3.85
...	Humphreys	...	...	...	\$7.95
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	\$98
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...
...	Ewo (S.)	...	...	...	\$50
...	Shai Cottons (S.)	...	...	...	\$200
...	Zong Singa (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	\$125
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Tramways	...	...	...	\$18.40
...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...	\$7.40
...	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	...	\$3½
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	\$31
...	Yamat Ferries	...	...	...	\$24½
...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...	X.R. \$6½
...	H.K. Electric (Old)	...	...	...	\$40½
...	H.K. Electric (New)	...	...	...	\$40
...	Macao Electric (Old)	...	...	...	\$17½
...	Macao Electric (New)	...	...	...	\$16½
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	\$11½
...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	\$25
...	Telephones (new)	...	...	...	\$10½
...	Spore Tramways (Ord.)	...	...	...	...
...	Industrials	...	...	...	...
...	Cald. Macg. (Ord.) B.	...	...	...	\$30
...	Cald. Macg. (Pref.) B.	...	...	...	\$5
...	Canton Ice	...	...	...	\$1
...	Cements	...	...	...	\$18.60
...	H.K. Ropes	...	...	...	\$8½
...	H.K. Govt. Loans	...	...	...	...
...	4% Loan	...	...	...	\$97½
...	3½% " (1934)	...	...	...	\$92½
...	3½% " (1940)	...	...	...	\$92½
...	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...
...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	\$18.10
...	Entertainments	...	...	...	\$7
...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...	\$1.85
...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...	\$9
...	Lane Crawfords	...	...	...	\$3½
...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	\$2.15
...	Sinceros	...	...	...	\$11
...	Watsons	...	...	...	\$11
...	Ch. C. 5% 1926 \$15ds	...	...	...	\$4

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

JANUARY 17, 1941.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/8 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 7/8
Credits 4 months' sight

On Shanghai:—
On demand 430
On Singapore:—
On demand 62 3/4
On Japan:—
On demand 102 1/2
On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/8 1/2
and demand

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 23 1/4
Credits 60 days' sight 24

On Batavia:—
On demand 43 1/2

On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.

On Saigon:—
On demand 101

On Manila:—
On demand 46 1/2

On Bangkok:—
On demand 149

On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate Nom.
Bar Silver per oz. 23 1/4

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Friday, Jan. 17.
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/4 for Ready and 23 3/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.
The London/New York cross rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/4.

MARKET

STERLING

Quietly steady.
There were sellers at 1/3 January/March and 1/23 1/32 April/June, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Sellers at 23 9/16 for cash and 23 5/8 February, buyers bidding 23 11/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

The highest rate offered was 44 7/8 sellers for Spot. Business was arranged at various rates. Closed with sellers at 44 1/2, buyers at 44 3/4.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers for Spot at 3 3/8. Subsequently the rate receded to 3 1/32 and closed a shade steadier with sellers at 3 25/64 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers for Spot at 5 9/32. Subsequently the rate rose to 5 5/16. At the close there were sellers at 5 11/32 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was quiet in the afternoon.
STERLING
There were sellers at 1/3 January/March, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Some business was reported at 23 11/16 for Cash and February. The market closed with sellers at 23 5/8 for Cash, buyers at 23 3/4 Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

44 3/8 sellers for Spot.
SHANGHAI MARKET
Sterling at 3 25/64 and U. S. Dollars at 5 5/16, both sellers for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Jan. 17 (Reuters).
Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-5/16	0/3-25/64
New York	5-1/8	0/3-3/8
Japan	21-3/4	0/3-11/32
India	18-3/8	0/3-11/32
Paris	nominal	0/3-11/32
Hongkong	22	0/3-11/32

Sterling
Sellers
Spot 0/3-3/8
Jan. 0/3-23/64
Feb. 0/3-21/64
U.S. Dollars
Spot \$5-9/32
Jan. 5-1/4
Feb. 5-7/32
Market: Quiet

Silver Duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/24.
The Equalisation rate was 23 1/2 per cent.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (Reuters)

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.48	10.40	10.46	.05 off
New York Rubber, March	19.70	18.82	19.87 1/2	.01 up
Chicago Wheat, May	87 1/2	87 1/4	87 1/2	1/4 off
Chicago Corn, May	63 1/2	63 1/4	63 1/2	1/4 up
New York Hides, March	13.11	12.86	13.11	.09 off

Total sales Wednesday—72,400 bales.
Last Notice Day for January Cotton is January 23, 1941 (Date of Delivery).

NEW YORK RUBBER

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
January	10.38 N	10.32/32	10.30 N	.08 off
March	10.46/46	10.45/46	10.41/41	.05 off
May	10.48/48	10.49/51	10.43/43	.05 off
July	10.37/37	10.38/39	10.31/31	.06 off
October	9.96/96	9.99/10.00	9.93/94	.03 off
December	9.91/91	9.95b/96a	9.87/87	.04 off

Total sales—540 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	1/4 off
July	82 1/2	82 1/2	81 1/2	1/4 off
September	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	1/4 off

Wednesday's sales—4,958,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	1/4 up
July	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	1/4 up
September	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	1/4 up

NEW YORK HIDES

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	13.11/12	13.09/11	13.02/03	.09 off
June	12.80/80	12.72/77	12.70b/74a	.10 off

Total sales for the day—125 contracts.

NEW YORK COCOA

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	5.04 N	5.03b/03a	5.01 N	.03 off
May	5.11 N	5.09b/15a	5.07 N	.04 off

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	2.00b/01a	—	1.98b/99a	.02 off
May	2.05b/08a	—	2.03b/04a	.02 off

Volume of business done—226 lots.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	74b/75a	74b/75a	73b/73a	.01 off
May	77b/78a	77b/78a	75b/76a	.02 off

Volume of business done—188 lots

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	11.13b/25a	11.15b/25b	11.25b/30a	.07 up
July	11.13b/21a	11.13b/25a	11.20b/25a	.07 up

N.Y. Official Silver—34-3/4

N.Y.-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/2

4.03-1/4

WEEKLY RETURNS AND REPORTS

BANK OF ENGLAND

LONDON, Jan. 16 (Reuters)

	Jan. 9	Jan. 16
(000's Omitted)		
Public Deposits	15,820	14,790
Other Deposits:		
Bankers	130,320	119,200
Other Accounts	56,250	54,810
Total	186,570	173,510
Government Securities	173,000	152,310
Other Securities:		
Discounts and Advances	5,520	3,720
Securities	21,230	22,040
Total	26,750	25,760
Notes and Coins	20,580	28,160
Total Bullion	1,040	1,000
Notes in circulation	610,450	602,840
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	10.16%	14.94%
Price of Gold at which holdings are valued	188/-	188/-

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (Reuters)

	Jan. 11 (1940)	Jan. 9	Jan. 16
(000's Omitted)			
Bills Bought	—	—	—
U.S. Securities held	2,477,000	2,184,000	2,184,000
Federal Reserve Ratio	87.38%	91.00%	91.00%
Federal Reserve Credit Outstanding	2,504,000	2,237,000	2,254,000
Monetary Gold Stocks	17,747,000	22,034,000	22,666,000
Industrial Advances	10,843,000	7,713,000	7,568,000

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Jan. 16 (Reuters).
Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 95-01-0.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Jan. 16 (Reuters).
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER
London, Jan. 16 (Reuters).
Silver—Business small. Market quiet.

Spot, 23-1/4d.
Forward, 23-3/16d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 16 (Reuters).
Market—Quiet but steady. Off-take 50 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 63-04
Jan. 22 Settlement 63-02
Feb. 22 Settlement 63-02

LONDON GOLD

London, Jan. 16 (Reuters).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168/-

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

JANUARY 17, 1941

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Jan. 16	Jan. 16	Jan. 16	Jan. 16
Adams Express	23	Loew's Inc.	32 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	34 1/2	Loft Incorporated	—
Allis Chalmers	71 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	—
Aluminum Ltd.	91	Martin, Glen L.	29 1/2
Amer. Can.	35 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	—
American Cyanamid E.	18 1/2	Montgomery Ward	38
Amer. & Foreign Power	15 1/2	Mt. City Copper Co.	10
Amer. Locomotive	19	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	14 1/2	National Distillers	—
Amer. Radiator	42 1/2	National Lead	—
Amer. Rolling Mill	167 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	—
Amer. S'ing and Ring Co.	61	National Supply Corp.	—
Amer. Sugar Refining	21	New York Central	13 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	25 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	16 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	21	N. American Aviation	6 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	47	North American Co.	6 1/2
Anacosta Copper	28 1/2	Northern Pacific	28 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	17	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	28 1/2
Aviation Corp.	17	Pacific Gas & Elec.	28 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	17	Packard Motors	—
Baltimore & Ohio	9 1/2	Pan-American Airways	—
Barber Asphalt Co.	9 1/2	Paramount Pictures	—
Barnsdall Oil	34 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Bendix Aviation	34 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	3/16
Bethlehem Steel	17 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	29
Bliss & Co.	17 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	29
Borg-Warner	18 1/2	Pullman Inc.	8 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	24	Pure Oil	8 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	4 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	4 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	3 1/2	Reading Company, Com	14
Case, J.I.	27	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	5 1/2
Celanese	43	Republic Aviation Corp.	4 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	87 1/2	Republic Steel	20
Chrysler Corp.	48	Revere Corp.	—
Columbia Gas & Elec.	48	Reynold Tobac. "B"	33 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	—	Safeway Stores	43 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	22 1/2	Schenley Distillers	—
Consolidated Edison	22 1/2	Sears Roebuck	78 1/2
Consolidated Oil	19 1/2	Shell Union Oil	12
Continental Can	17 1/2	Sokony-Vacuum Oil	8 1/2
Continental Oil	17 1/2	Southern Pacific	8 1/2
Copperweld Steel	8 1/2	Southern Ry 45 pfd.	36 1/2
Curtis Wright (C.)	28 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	—
Curtis Wright "A"	28 1/2	Standard Brands	—
Deere & Co.	18	Stand Gas & Elec.	11
Douglas Corp. Seagrams	75 1/2	Standard Oil of California	19 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	157 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	34 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	94	Stone & Webster	—
Eagle Picher Lead	35	Studebaker Corp.	7 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	32	Swift International	—
Elec. Autolite	33	Technicolor	8 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	64	Texas Corp.	37 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 50 pf.	—	Texas Gulf Sulphur	37
Elec. Bond & Share 50 pf.	—	Timken-Axle	—
Elec. Power & Light 77 pf.	—	Trans-America Co.	—
Flintkote	54 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	—
Gen. American Trans.	34 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	69
Gen. Electric	46 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	81
Gen. Motors	14 1/2	Union Pacific	42 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	—	United Aircraft	—
Gen. Tire & Rubber	—	United Airlines Trans.	—
Gillette Co.	—	United Corp.	—
Goodrich (B.F.)	—	United Corp. 33 cum pf.	—
Goodrich 55 pf.	—	United Gas Corp.	—
Goodyear Tire & Co.	18 1/2	United Gas Improvement	—
Great Northern Iron Ore	15 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	28
Great Northern Ry, pfd.	26 1/2	U.S. Rubber	22 1/2
Great Western Sugar	11 1/2	U.S. Rubber 58 pfd.	37
Greyhound Corp.	75 1/2	U.S. Smelting	62 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	—	U.S. Steel	66 1/2
Homestake Mining	—	Vanadium	31 1/2
Int. Nickel	25 1/2	Valtee Aircraft	7 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	22	Walworth Co.	9 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	—	Warner Bros. Pict.	101
Jennison	34 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	31 1/2
Kennecott Copper	40 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	—
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	26	Chase National Bank	—
Lockheed Aircraft	—	National City Bank	—

DOW JONES AVERAGE

	1940	Jan. 16	Jan. 17, 1941	Change
High	162.80	111.84	131.36	198.82
Low	162.80	111.84	131.36	198.82
Dow Jones Averages	32.67	22.15	20.06	28.65
Industrials	29.45	18.03	20.44	20.15
Rails	92.13	63.08	91.85	21.54
Utilities	64.07	48.47	57.41	67.03
Bonds	—	—	—	—
Commodity Index	—	—	—	—

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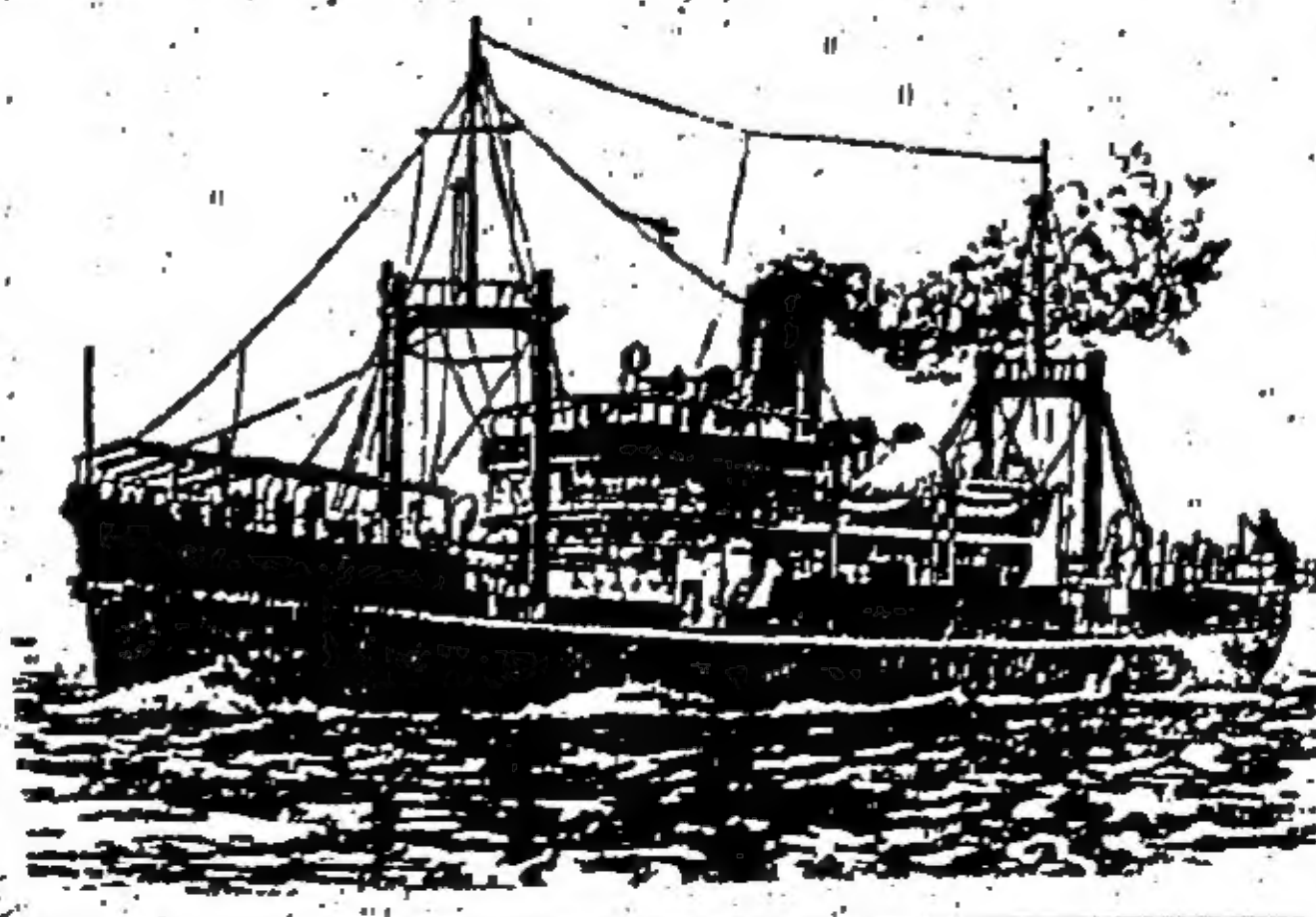
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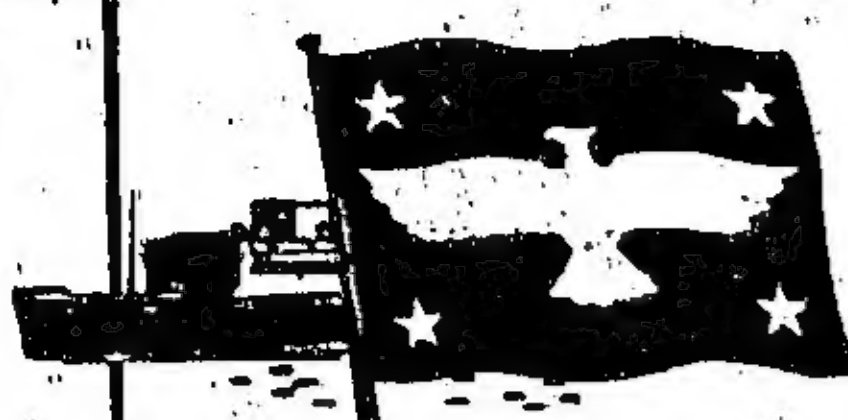
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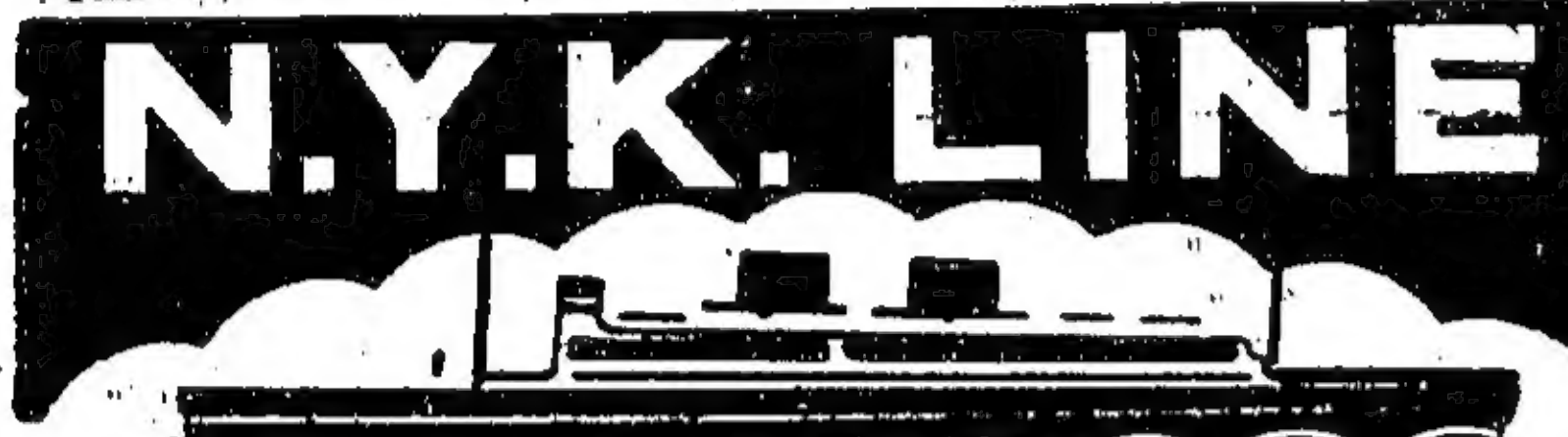
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345 Feet development: Some 60 per cent. of the work was above No. 3 level and consisted mainly of connections between workings. Work on Nos. 5, 8, and 9 levels has disclosed extensions of previously known ore bodies in which gold is visible.

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MALACCA SECTION

65 Feet development: Winzling below No. 2 level continues satisfactorily while the remainder of

the work consisted of connections between workings.

MINING

A total of 6,734 tons was mined and treated during the period. The grade was considerably lower at Raub Hole and Derrick Sections, while the smaller tonnages from Anderson and Malacca Sections were much higher resulting in a small decrease over-all. Raub Hole 2,417 tons; Anderson 838 tons; Bukit Koman 1,384 tons; Derrick 1,655 tons; and Malacca 442 tons.

TREATMENT PLANT

Battery

Ore crushed, 6,734 tons. Residue to retreatment, 6,478 tons.

Residue to storage, 256 tons.

Retreatment Plant

Tailings treated, current tailings 6,478 tons; Tailings treated, Bt. Koman dump tailings 3,689 tons; Tailings treated, Cord Table concentrates 52 tons. Total: 10,199 tons.

GOLD SHIPMENT

Battery: 978.54 Bullion Ozs.; 908.01 Fine Au Ozs.
Retreatment: 721.82 Bullion Ozs.; 651.73 Fine Au Ozs.
Total: 1,700.36 Bullion Ozs.; and 1,559.74 Fine Au Ozs.

CHINA LABOUR FEDERATION

The China Labour Federation held its third annual meeting in Chungking. Over 300 representatives from labour organisations in various parts of China were present.

It was announced at the meeting that the mobilisation of the Chinese labourers to take an active part in the programme of armed resistance and national reconstruction will form the principal task of the Federation for the current year.

It will also strive to improve the livelihood of the labourers and promote welfare work — (Central News).

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL WELFARE WORK

Strengthening of the organisation of people and promotion of social welfare form the keynote of the Ministry of Social Welfare's work for the current year, which has just been outlined.

Particular attention will be given to the organisation of the labour class.

In the field of social welfare, the Ministry will undertake social insurance, labour welfare, social health, factory inspection and operation of employment agencies. — (Central News).

SALT EXCHANGED FOR RICE

A barter agreement has been concluded between the Fukien and Kiangsi Provincial Governments, whereby Fukien salt will be exchanged for Kiangsi rice. The agreement is to come into effect shortly. — (Central News).

SHANGHAI, Jan. 17 (Reuter). — Two gunboats for the Nanking Government were launched yesterday at the Kiangnan Dockyard.

Time Correspondent Back From Trip To South Seas

The key fact about Thailand is that it is a revolutionary state with a great mass of peasants and with a tremendous illiteracy, declared Mr. Theodore White, Chungking correspondent of Time, who returned to Chungking from a four-month tour of Indo-China, Thailand, Singapore, the Netherlands East Indies and Manila.

Mr. White, who was in Indo-China when the Japanese marched into that country, found that although Thailand insists upon democracy being the goal of its revolution, influence of the democracies is waning in that country ruled by a few educated people on top.

There are two groups in the Thai government: pro-Japanese and pro-democracies. However, the pro-British and pro-American clique is having a small voice in governmental affairs while British influence, strong in the past, is fast disappearing.

NOT MILITARY PEOPLE

According to Mr. White, the Thais are not a military people, although that country has an army of between 125,000 and 150,000 out of a population of 14,000,000, an air force of 300 planes (mostly American-made), and a doubtful naval force, including four submarines. Dealing with the current territorial dispute between Thailand and Indo-China, Mr. White said that Japanese urged the Thais to take back two pieces of territory from the French after the French capitulation to the Germans. He said that there is a group in the Thai government who could be used to resist Japan's southward advance. He added that Thailand now finds herself in the same position as Poland in 1938 when the Czechoslovakian crisis flared up. — (Central News).

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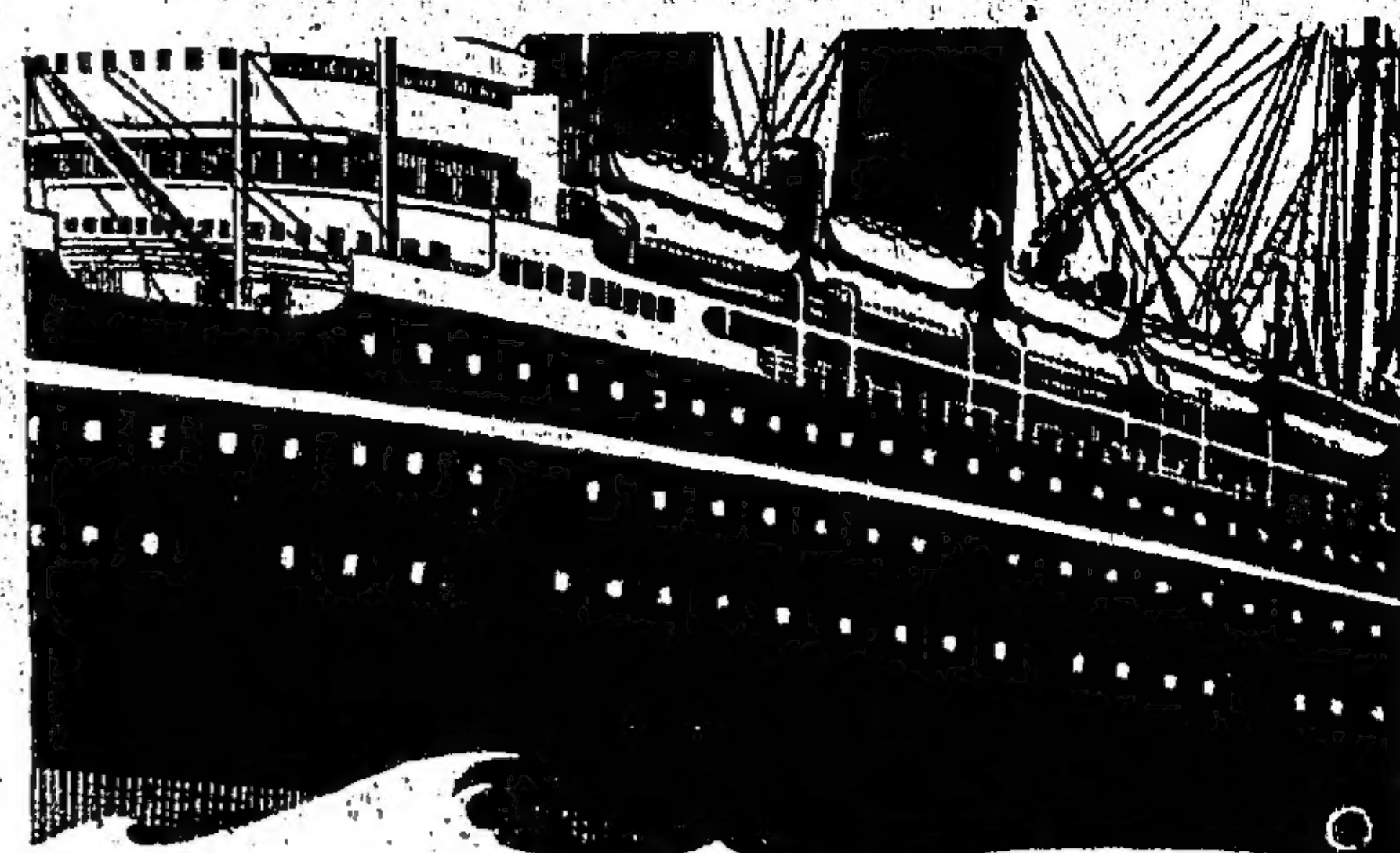
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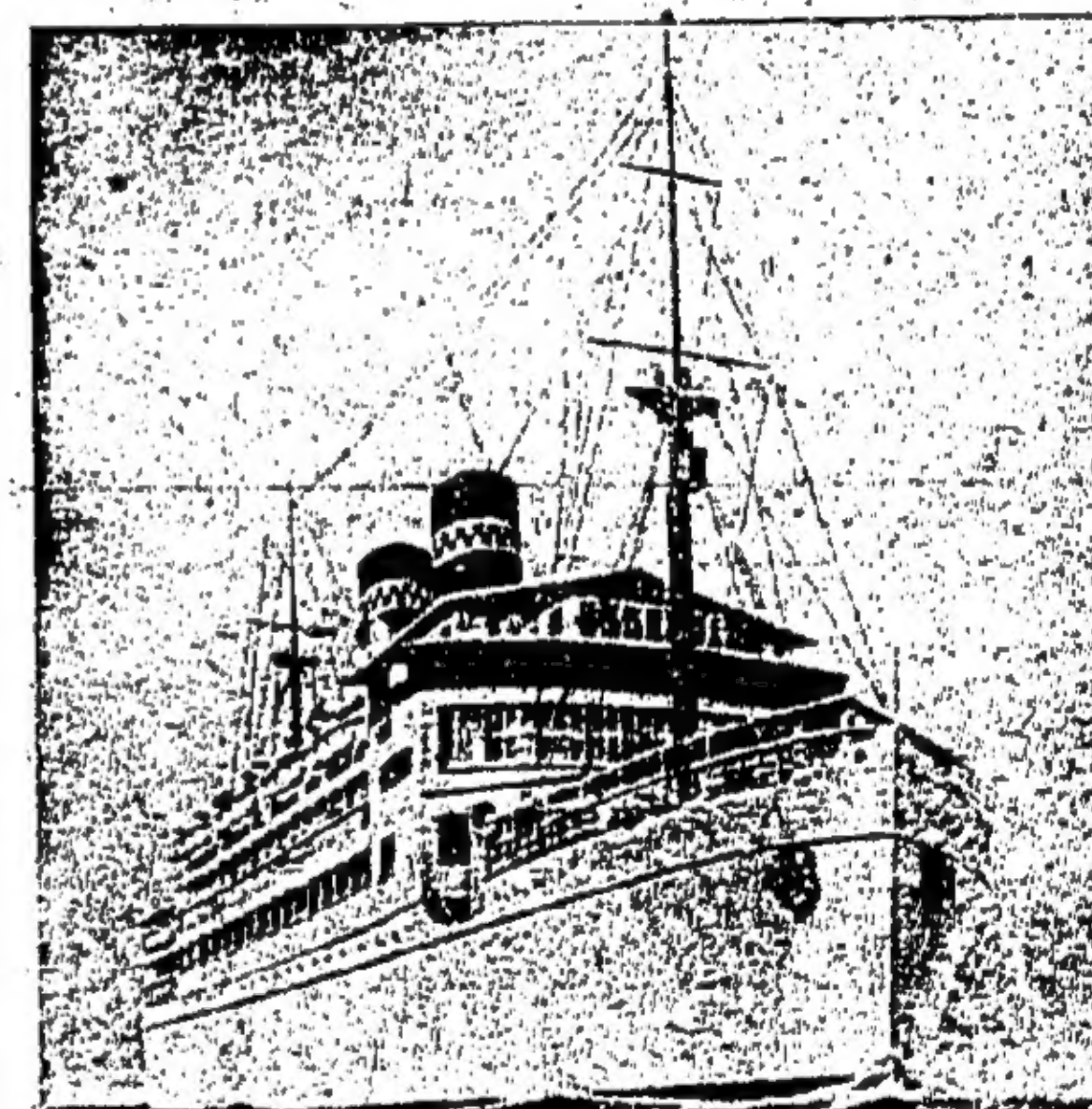
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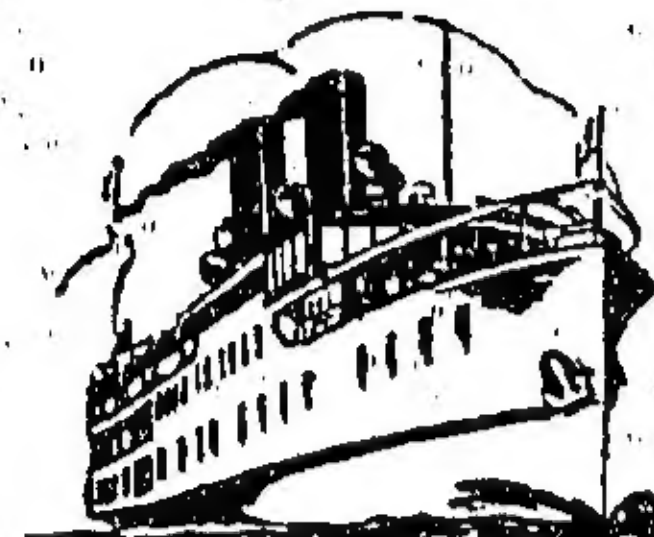
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GREEK PATROL CAPTURES WOPS

The latest Greek communiqué states that in the course of further successes in Albania a Greek patrol captured an Italian patrol of equal numbers, says a London message.

It is reported that the new commander-in-chief of the Italian Army in Albania, Gen. Cavallero, is reorganising his troops and has issued an order which provides that all Albanian troops will form an independent unit.

NEW POST FOR BUTLER?

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter).—Further changes in the British Government are probable, says Reuter's Lobby correspondent.

Since the appointment of Lord Halifax as Ambassador to the United States, it has been expected that his Under-Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler would receive promotion and it is now probable that Mr. Butler will shortly become President of the Board of Education.

Definition On Powers Of President Sought

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Herbert Hoover, the former President, sent a letter to Mr. Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House of Representatives' Foreign Affairs Committee yesterday requesting a definition of President Roosevelt's powers under the Lease and Lend Bill and calling on the Committee to draft into the Bill "positive definitions of the powers of the President and specifically to exclude what they are not."

Mr. Hoover declares that such action would eliminate much controversy and bitterness.

CHOPPER WOUNDS ON BODY

The body of a Chinese male was found dead, with chopper wounds all over, on a roadside of Kong Ha Village, on the border of Shataukok, New Territories, at 8:25 a.m. yesterday.

Police are investigating. The body was removed to Kowloon Mortuary. The deceased is believed to be Chan Yan-sul, 37, native of Kiangsi Province.

Preventive Service Bureau Established

A Preventive Service Bureau under the Ministry of Finance was established in Chungking with a brief ceremony.

Headed by Mr. Tai Li, the Bureau is to centralise the control of anti-smuggling work throughout Free China. Preventive services will be gradually extended to various areas including the war zones.—(Central News)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 17 (Reuter).—Over half-a-million dollars worth of gold bars are now in Customs custody following a seizure yesterday on a coastal steamer which arrived here on Jan. 15 from Tientsin. No arrests have been made as yet but investigations are proceeding.

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter).—United Kingdom stocks of quick silver are adequate despite increased consumers' demand in view of increased United States supplies available following the issue of export licences. The United States hopes to step up production to 5,000 bottles monthly compared to 3,000 bottles in October.

CHESS WIN FOR CARVALHO

D. E. de Carvalho beat K. M. A. Barnett in a chess match played at the Peninsula Hotel last night to win Section "B" of the Kowloon Chess Club Senior tournament. Barnett is the holder of the Club Championship and the Colony title.

The game was very evenly contested and dragged out into a long end game of knight and pawn. Carvalho put up a spirited resistance though a move behind and scored a creditable win. The game was the French defence, Carvalho playing the black pieces. Barnett resigned on the 72nd move.

Carvalho will meet C. M. Sequeira, or G. S. Coxhead, in a match of three games for the Club Championship.

Rumania Uneasy Over Nazi Concentrations Of Troops

LONDON, Jan. 17 (Reuter).—The greatest uneasiness is felt in Rumania at the increasing arrivals of fresh German troops, which are now estimated to total 12 divisions, says the Istanbul correspondent of the Independent French agency. He adds that the number is shortly expected to reach 18 divisions.

Rumanian military circles consider that these moves are aimed to occupy Rumania in the event of upheavals that might imperil German food supplies; secondly, to hold a threat over south-eastern European states and Turkey particularly, and also to prepare a spring offensive against Greece.

The German troops arrive mostly straight from France, an officer saying that they came from Paris in a week with them came a number of Renault (French) lorries. The troops are in four main groups, one in Moldavia, opposite the Soviet frontier; one in the region of Bucharest and Ploesti oil zone; a third, apparently reserves, in Banat where it is supported by members of the German minority holding keyposts in the municipalities; and a fourth group along the line of the Danube, opposite Bulgaria.

TROOPS IN HOLLAND
The number of German soldiers now in Holland is much higher than even the most extensive army of occupation would justify, state well-informed circles in London. A great number of the soldiers are stationed in coastal districts which have been declared defence areas. Dutch cigar manufacturers have had to supply over 50,000,000 cigars monthly to the German army, of which 40,000,000 are said to be smoked by the Germans in Holland. Even if every soldier gets only one cigar per day this would mean that there are over a million soldiers in Holland. Ten million cigars are sent to Belgium and France.

INVASION BASE?
It was clearly stated in an article in a Dutch Nazi paper that Holland was being used as a base for the attack on England. The writer complained of bad feeling existing among the population, adding that "it is not in the interests of the Netherlands to commit sabotage or to demonstrate against the Germans."

However, that position was improved by the fact that the Germans exercised "to the full the right of an occupying Power."

GLIDING CLUB TO BE FORMED

To popularise gliding as a foundation for building up a greater Chinese Air Force, in addition to the opening of a Gliders' Training Class, a Gliding Club will shortly be formed in Chungking under the joint auspices of the Ministry of Education, the Chinese Association for the Promotion of Aviation, the Youths Corps and the Ta Kung Pao.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will be invited to head the organization as honorary president with Mr. Chen Li-fu, Education Minister, and Gen. Chow Chih-jou, Director of the National Aeronautical Commission, as vice-presidents. Mr. Gunson Hgh and Mr. Li Ta-chin are to be named secretary and associate secretary respectively.

The headquarters of the Club will be in Chungking, while branches are to be established in various places in the provinces.—(Central News)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 17 (Reuter).—Nearly 10,000 workers are striking in two foreign areas, including messengers of three foreign cable companies and workers of the American-owned EVENING POST while it is alleged that the Nanjing-sponsored labour union is distributing pamphlets urging all workers to strike.

SOFTBALL

Continued from Page 2
the week, the Kowloon Footballers have selected their team to meet the pick of the Ladies' League on Jan. 27.

"Birdie" Woodcock, Doc Molten, "Mail-man" Walker, "Guinea Gold" Ogden, "Junky" Stephens, "Boomerang" Mezger, "Fulla-bull" Fuller, "Tibbits" Bones, "Wrecker" Dand, "Sparks" Humphreys, "Sherlock" Downman, "Sluggie" Wong, "Two-tun" Chittenden, "Godown" Eastman and bat-boy "Grandma" Hutchinson have been selected to do duty in the curtain raiser to the U.S. Navy-Mohawks clash which will be played in aid of the Bomber Fund, on Chinese New Year day.

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB
9 a.m. Wildcats v. Ramblerettes (H. Wing, Lee, A. Abiong, D. Walker)

10.30 a.m. Florinbas v. Wahoes (Nip Lum, C. Figueredo, W. Woo)
12 a.m. Cardinals v. Baby Panthers (N. Beltrao, H. Wing Lee, J. Fonseca)
1.30 p.m. Filipinos v. C.B.C. (F. J. Molthen, S. Leonard, A. M. Omar)
2.45 p.m. St. Joseph's v. Cyclones (H. Campos, V. Marques, W. J. K. Woo)
4 p.m. Canucks v. H.K.B.C. (A. Leonard, Bakar, S. Leonard)

CHATHAM ROAD
9 a.m. R.A.F. v. Liga (Higgins, Oliver, Fittinghoff)
10.15 a.m. C.B.A. v. Royal Scots (Gillespie, Coelho, E. Sousa)
11.30 a.m. Engineers v. Revere Bees (C. Wing Lee, N. Ma, T. Young)
12.45 p.m. 8th R.A. v. South China (J. Welford, M. Mendonca, W. Lawrence)

MARINA GROUND
10.30 a.m. Greenspots v. Texaco (Laurel, Art. Ribeiro, Barradas)

Fanling Golf

R.H.K.G.C. Starting Times

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club starting times for Fanling today and tomorrow are as follows:—

TODAY
Old Course
2.00 E. G. Price, P. Morrison.
2.08 P. S. Cassidy, J. Fleming.
2.20 H. A. Mills, A. B. Purves.

TOMORROW
Old Course
9.16 T. Low, W. W. C. Shewan.
9.20 A. H. Guinness, H. A. Mills.
9.24 L. Jackson, N. D. Lloyd.
9.28 S. L. Lloyd, J. E. Richardson.

9.32 K. S. Robertson, A. B. Purves.
9.36 D. J. Valentine, J. Linaker.
9.40 F. A. Redmond, Capt. Thurstby.
9.44 A. Sommerfelt, K. S. Morrison.
9.48 J. B. Harrison, R. H. Chalilner.

9.52 J. Harrop, G. Thomerson.
9.56 H. N. Williamson, G. R. Horridge.
10.00 G. M. Park, J. A. Parrish.
10.04 R. Young, A. J. Dennis.
10.08 J. A. D. Morrison, S. H. Dodwell.

10.12 T. A. Pearce, T. J. J. Fenwick.
10.16 J. S. Lei, M. G. Carruthers.
10.20 J. Stenerson, F. A. Howard.
10.24 B. O. Baldwin, P. M. Cotton.
10.28 D. Humphreys, H. M. Rowland.
10.32 W. S. Hillier, W. N. A. Smalley.

10.36 W. J. E. Mackenzie, H. Overy.
10.40 C. E. C. Marton, Col. Rose.
10.44 I. H. Geare, F. D. Hunter.
10.48 W. Howitt, D. L. Prophet.
10.52 E. A. R. Newton, P. Morrison.
10.56 A. Pollard, A. Nicol.
11.00 F. N. Merritt, M. Fisterre.
11.04 G. A. Alkenhead, A. C. Meredith.

11.08 Lieut. Carter, A. M. Kennedy.
11.12 Major Penfold, J. K. Bousfield.
New Course
9.24 T. Mesarry, P. V. McLane.
9.32 Brig. MacLeod, Brig. Reffer.
9.40 Capt. Reldy, Major Temple.
10.12 D. L. Newbigging, R. D. Gillespie.
10.16 J. F. Robinson, E. L. Groomer.
10.20 F. A. M. Elliott, R. C. Stewart.
10.32 Mrs. Hillier, Mrs. Smalley.

SCOTS PLAYER SUSPENDED
Falconer, of the Royal Scots senior League team, has been suspended for the rest of the season, as the result of an incident in a match against Kwong Wah. This decision was reached at the meeting of the Emergency Committee of the Hongkong Football Association held yesterday evening.

ROME, Jan. 17 (Reuter).—It is announced that Crown Prince Umberto is promoted to the rank of General in the Italian Army.

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Swatow	25th Jan
Calcutta and Straits	25th Jan
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date 10th January)	28th Jan
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Haiphong	Parcels 1.00 PM Reg. 2.45 PM Ord. 3.30 PM
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Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Wed. 22nd K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Canton	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 6.00 PM
Straits	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	
Formosa	Fri. 24th 3.30 PM
SATURDAY	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and United Kingdom	Sat. 25th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 24th 5.00 PM Reg. 25th 9.45 AM Ord. 26th 10.30 AM
SUNDAY	
Sandakan, Madang, Salamau, Rabaul and Tulagi	Sun. 26th 8.30 AM
TUESDAY	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco	Tue. 28th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 26th 5.00 PM Ord. 28th 8.30 AM G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 11.15 AM Ord. Noon
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Noon
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Rangoon and Calcutta	Noon
WEDNESDAY	
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya	Wed. 29th 8.30 AM
THURSDAY	
Sandakan	Thu. 30th 8.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels 11.00 AM Letters Noon

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